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French Police Detain 9 Amid Massive Operation

French police officers patrol in Longpont, north of Paris, France, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015. Scattered gunfire and explosions shook France on Thursday as its frightened yet defiant citizens held a day of mourning for 12 people slain at a Paris newspaper. French police hunted down the two heavily armed brothers suspected in the massacre to make sure they don't strike again.

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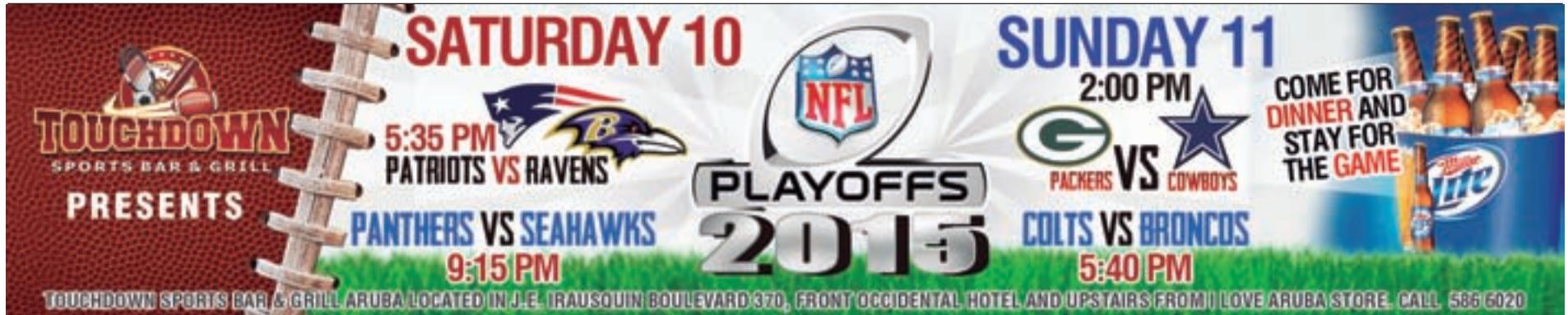
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President Francois Hollande of France leads a moment of silence in honor of the twelve slain in an attack on the satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo, in Paris, on Jan. 8, 2015, a national day of mourning. Also present: Anne Hidalgo, left, the mayor of Paris; interior minister Bernard Cazeneuve, second left; and Bernard Boucault, right, prefect of police in Paris.

(Remy De La Mauviniere/Pool via The New York Times)

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Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — Police SWAT teams backed by helicopters tracked two heavily armed brothers with al-Qaida sympathies suspected in the newsroom massacre of a satirical French weekly that spoofed Islam, honing in Thursday on a region north of Paris as the nation mourned the dozen slain. Authorities fear a second strike by the suspects, who U.S. counterterrorism officials said were both on the U.S. no-fly list, and distributed their portraits with the notice "armed and dangerous." More than 88,000 security forces were deployed on the streets of France.

They also extended France's maximum terror alert from Paris to the northern Picardie region, focusing on several towns that might be possible safe havens for the two suspects — Cherif Kouachi, 32, and Said Kouachi, 34.

Both men were on the U.S. no-fly list, a senior U.S. counterterrorism official said Thursday. Another U.S. official said the elder Kouachi had traveled to Yemen, although it was unclear

whether he there to work with extremist groups like al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, which is based there. Witnesses said the attackers claimed allegiance to al-Qaida in Yemen during the bloody attack Wednesday. A third suspect, Mourad Hamyd, 18, surrendered at a police station Wednesday evening after hearing his name linked to the attacks. His relationship to the Kouachi brothers was unclear.

The worst spasm of terror violence in more than a half-century stunned the nation. The lights of the Eiffel Tower went out Thursday night in a tribute to the dead from the elegant iron lady that symbolizes France to the world. At noon, the Paris Metro came to a standstill and a crowd fell silent near the Notre Dame Cathedral.

French President Francois Hollande — joined by residents, tourists and Muslim leaders — called for tolerance after the country's worst terrorist attack in decades.

"France has been struck directly in the heart of its capital, in a place where the spirit of liberty — and thus

of resistance — breathed freely," Hollande said.

Nine people, members of the brothers' entourage, have been detained for questioning in several regions. In all, 90 people, many of them witnesses to the grisly assault on the satirical weekly Charlie Hebdo, were questioned for information on the attackers, Interior Minister Bernard Cazeneuve said in a state-

ment.

The minister confirmed reports the men were identified by an ID left in an abandoned getaway car, a slip that contrasted with the seeming professionalism of the attack. Eight journalists, two police officers, a maintenance worker and a visitor were killed in the attack and 11 people were wounded, four of them critically.

The publication had long drawn threats for its depictions of Islam, although it also satirized other religions and political figures. Charlie Hebdo had caricatured the Prophet Muhammad, and a caricature of Islamic State's leader was the last tweet sent out by the irreverent newspaper, minutes before the attack. Its feed has since gone silent. □

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US Senate panel approves Keystone Pipeline bill

CORAL DAVENPORT

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WASHINGTON - The Senate Energy Committee on Thursday easily passed a bill to approve the Keystone XL oil pipeline, pushing the new Republican Con-

gress one step closer to a clash with President Barack Obama, who has said he will veto the measure.

The House is expected to pass its version of the bill Friday, and the measure will head to the Senate floor for

debate next week. The Senate is expected to pass it in the coming weeks, sending it to Obama to sign.

Obama has said that he will wait to make a final decision on the project until a Nebraska court case on the

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Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee members, from left, Sen. Cory Gardner, R-Colo., Sen. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, and Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., confer on Capitol Hill in Washington, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015. The committee on Thursday easily passed a bill to approve the Keystone XL oil pipeline.

(AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite)

pipeline's route through that state is resolved, and until the State Department has completed an environmental review of the proposal.

The panel passed the bill in a 13-9 vote, with every Republican and one Democrat - West Virginia Sen. Joe Manchin III - voting in favor of the measure.

Despite the clear veto threat, both parties are preparing for a multiweek debate over the pipeline, which has emerged as a political lightning rod and a proxy for the fierce partisan debate on energy, climate change and the economy.

Liberal Democrats are using the pipeline fight to highlight the threat of climate change, while Republicans are using it to blame Obama for contributing to gridlock in Washington.

"There's a veto threat, but I don't think that threat should deter us," said Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, the new chairwoman of the Senate energy panel.

"It's fair to say that the world is watching to see whether the United States is ready to lead as a global energy superpower, which I think we recognize we have become," she said. "I believe Congress is ready to send that signal in a bipartisan manner. I believe the American people are ready."

It is unfortunate that the administration continues to stand in the way."

Obama's veto would not halt construction of the pipeline, but it would retain the president's authority to make a final decision on the plan, rather than ceding that authority to Congress.

California Senator says she won't seek re-election in 2016



In this Feb. 5, 2003 photo, Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., left, accompanied by Rep. Steve Israel, D-N.Y., center, and Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., holds an American-made, shoulder-fired missile launcher during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington. Boxer, one of the chamber's most tenacious liberals, announced Thursday she will not seek re-election in 2016 to a fifth term.

ADAM NAGOURNEY
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LOS ANGELES - Sen. Barbara Boxer announced Thursday that she would not seek re-election as senator from California, ending a 30-year career in Congress and breaking a generational logjam in a state where the three top political officeholders are over 70 years old.

"I am never going to retire - the work is too important," Boxer, a Democrat, said in a video interview with her grandson. "But I am not going to be running for the Senate in 2016."

The decision by Boxer, who is 74, was widely expected and comes nearly

two years before she was to face re-election. It is unlikely to change the fight for control of the Senate in 2016; California is overwhelmingly Democratic, and officials from both parties said a Republican would have an extremely difficult time winning the seat.

But it appears to signal what many Democrats, especially younger ones, have been waiting for across this state: the beginning of a wave of retirement by an older generation of Democrats who have dominated the upper realms of elected office here. Among them are Gov. Jerry Brown, 76, who

was sworn in to his fourth and final term Monday - because of term limits, he will have to step down - and Sen. Dianne Feinstein, who is 81 and up for re-election in 2018.

Feinstein has given no indication of her plans. The other powerful Democrat from California in Washington is Rep. Nancy Pelosi, the house Democratic leader, who is also 74. The Democrats most often mentioned as likely to seek an open Senate seat are Gavin Newsom, 47, the lieutenant governor, and Kamala Harris, 50, the attorney general. They are hardly the only members of a younger generation

of politicians looking to move on here: Eric M. Garcetti, 43, the new mayor of Los Angeles, is often mentioned as a potential candidate for governor, but he just assumed office in 2013. "I will not run for Sen. Boxer's seat," Garcetti said Thursday.

A fourth Democrat, Antonio Villaraigosa, 61, the former mayor of Los Angeles, has also expressed interest in running for higher office, but in interviews he has said he is more likely to run for governor once Brown steps down.

Boxer made her announcement in an interview with her grandson Zach Rodham, 19, saying she had chosen him as a surrogate for reporters who had been hounding her with questions about her

intention on Capitol Hill.

"I thought since you are my eldest grandchild, you could sit in for those reporters, you could ask me those questions," she said.

"Sure," responded Rodham, who was wearing shorts during the interview. Rodham is a nephew of Hillary Rodham Clinton, whom Boxer appeared to refer to in saying that in the coming two years, "I want to help our Democratic candidate for president make history."

Boxer told her grandson that her decision to leave the Senate, where she has served since 1993, after serving in the House, should not be seen as stepping away from the harsh political environment there. She also said it had nothing to do with her age. □

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Officer: US eyes new ways to aid Iraq

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. is looking at ways to increase its aid to the Iraqi security forces, including help with ways to counter roadside bombs and buildings rigged to explode, Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, the top military officer, said Thursday.

But he said it's still unclear when the Iraqi troops will be ready to mount an offensive against Islamic State

militants that have control of portions of northern and western Iraq. Speaking to reporters in his office, Dempsey said the U.S. will help with "some kind of broad counter-offensive" when Iraq is able to conduct the military assault and any needed reconstruction afterward.

Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, spoke after meeting with Israeli military chief Lt. Gen. Benny Gantz, for more than an hour. "We're working with

Iraq's military and civilian leaders to determine the pace at which we will encourage them and enable them to do a counteroffensive," Dempsey said. "So when the government of Iraq finds itself ready not only to conduct the military operations necessary to recapture their territory, but also to follow it with the humanitarian and reconstruction efforts, then they will, with us, initiate some kind of broad counteroffensive." □

Video: Police restrained teen after shooting her brother

MARK GILLISPIE
Associated Press

CLEVELAND (AP) — A video released by the city of Cleveland shows a police officer pushing a 14-year-old girl to the ground and handcuffing her with the help of another officer soon after a third officer fatally shot her younger

brother. The grainy surveillance video shows the officers struggling with the teen before putting her in the back seat of a patrol car parked next to the where 12-year-old African-American Tamir Rice lay on the snowy ground bleeding. Northeast Ohio Media

Group is reporting that it obtained the nearly 30-minute-long video from the city on Wednesday after the city initially refused to release it. Other media outlets were given the video Thursday. Patrol officer Timothy Loehmann, who is white, shot Tamir in the abdomen

within two seconds of a patrol car stopping near the boy on Nov. 22. He died the next day. The shooting happened amid renewed racial tension after the fatal shootings of unarmed black men in Ferguson, Missouri, and New York. Tamir's family gave the city

permission to release another version of the video days after the shooting. That video shows Tamir in a park near a recreation center carrying what turned out to be an airsoft-type gun that shoots non-lethal plastic pellets. That video ends with Loehmann shooting Tamir. □

Lawyer:

Dad accused of tossing girl off bridge acted strange

TAMARA LUSH
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Florida (AP) — The man accused of throwing his 5-year-old daughter off a bridge early Thursday had been acting strangely the day before, calling his attorney "God" and asking her to translate a Bible in Swedish, according to police documents.

Attorney Genevieve Torres said she met with John Jonchuck on Wednesday to discuss the custody case for his 5-year-old daughter, Phoebe, who was found dead in the Tampa Bay after police said he tossed her into the water.

Torres was so worried about Jonchuck and Phoebe that she reported the odd statements to police. They interviewed Jonchuck and his daughter as he was picking her up from a church day care and both appeared to be in good health. Jonchuck said he didn't want to harm himself or anyone else, the documents said.

"She was smiling and appeared healthy, properly clothed and happy," according to the documents.

A little more than twelve hours later, police said Jonchuck threw his daughter over a bridge. Phoebe had long curly hair, a wide smile and loved prin-

Michelle Kerr, were together for six tumultuous years, and police were called numerous times for domestic violence-related complaints. Both had arrest records.

always say, 'I love you daddy.' She loved her dad." Jonchuck is in jail facing a first-degree murder charge. At his first hearing, Pinellas County Judge Michael An-



St. Petersburg Police officers take John Nicholas Jonchuck from police headquarters downtown to the Pinellas County Jail, Fla., on Thursday, Jan 8, 2015. Jonchuck, 25, drove toward a bridge over Tampa Bay pulled his car over early Thursday, took his 5-year-old daughter from the back seat, pressed her head to his chest, and tossed her over the rail, according to police in St. Petersburg. He faces first-degree murder charges.

(AP Photo/Zachary T. Sampson)

cesses. She hated baths and water, making her death even more gut-wrenching. Her parents, Jonchuck and

Jonchuck had custody of Phoebe. "I always saw him as a good dad," Kerr said. "She would

drews asked him if he wanted an attorney. "I want to leave it in the hands of God," Jonchuck

said. The judge responded: "I'm pretty sure God's not going to be representing you in this case. You're going to be standing trial."

Police said just after midnight Wednesday, an officer saw Jonchuck's Chrysler PT Cruiser going about 100 mph toward the Sunshine Skyway bridge. By the time an officer caught up with him, Jonchuck had pulled over on the approach span to the bridge.

Jonchuck got out and started toward the officer, who pulled his weapon. Then Jonchuck grabbed Phoebe from the back seat and "held her face to his chest" as he carried her to the railing, St. Petersburg police Chief Anthony Holloway said. It wasn't clear whether Phoebe was alive, though the officer said he "thought he heard the child scream" before Jonchuck threw her into Tampa Bay about 60 feet below, Holloway said. Phoebe's body was recovered about a mile (almost 2 kilometers) from the bridge and she was pronounced dead at 2:44 a.m. An autopsy is pending. □

Florida girl, 15, who shot brother, 16, suffered abuse

JASON DEAREN
Associated Press

WHITE SPRINGS, Florida (AP) — After suffering years of abuse at home, a 15-year-old girl broke into her parents' locked room through a window, took their gun while they were away and shot her 16-year-old brother to death, authorities said. On Wednesday, authorities released police documents and interviews de-

scribing the abuse, including that the girl was locked in a room for weeks at a time with only a blanket and a bucket to use the bathroom.

The shooting at a small white house off a dirt road in rural north Florida happened Monday while the children's parents were away for work. The father, a truck driver, and his wife, who often went with him, left the 16-year-old boy to

watch over the 15-year-old, her 11-year-old sister and their 3-year-old sister, police said. The parents left Sunday and were due back Tuesday.

"This is the stuff nightmares are made of," Columbia County Sheriff Mark Hunter said. Sometime Monday, the 15-year-old girl was locked in her room by her brother, police said. After the boy fell asleep, she talked her 11-year-old sis-

ter into unlocking her door. The older girl knew her parents kept a pistol in their room, but they had locked their door. So the girl went outside and used a knife to remove an air conditioner from her parents' bedroom window. She climbed in while her 11-year-old sister kept watch and grabbed the gun out of a pink bag and loaded it, police said. The girl went back in-

side the house, telling her young sisters to get in the closet, she told police. She turned her head and fired at her sleeping brother in the living room, and he screamed "Help! Help!" She buried her head in a pillow for a while and upon returning to the living room, the girl found her 3-year-old sister trying to wake her dead brother, according to the police report. □

Average US 30 year loan rate drops to 3.73%

WASHINGTON (AP) — Average U.S. mortgage rates started the year by dipping to new lows, with the benchmark 30-year rate marking its lowest level since May 2013.

The mortgage giant Freddie Mac says the nationwide average for a 30-year fixed rate mortgage fell to 3.73 percent this week from 3.87 percent last week. The average for a 15-year mortgage slid to 3.05 percent from 3.15 percent last week.

A year ago, the 30-year mortgage stood at 4.51 percent and the 15-year mortgage at 3.56 percent. Mortgage rates have remained low even though the Federal Reserve in October ended its monthly bond purchases, which were meant to keep long-term rates low.

The decline in mortgage rates also has come as bond yields have hit record low levels. Mortgage rates often follow the yield on the 10-year Treasury note, which has fallen below 2 percent. Bond yields rise as prices fall.

Bond prices were an unexpected strong spot for the financial markets last year. The 10-year note traded at 1.97 percent Wednesday, down from 2.17 percent a week earlier. It recovered to trade at 2 percent Thursday morning.

To calculate average mortgage rates, Freddie Mac surveys lenders across the country at the beginning of each week. The average doesn't include extra fees, known as points, which most borrowers must pay to get the lowest rates. One point equals 1 percent of the loan amount. The average fee for a 30-year mortgage was 0.6 point, unchanged from last week. The fee for a 15-year mortgage declined to 0.5 point from 0.6 point.

The average rate on a five-year adjustable-rate mortgage fell to 2.98 percent from 3.01 percent. The fee was unchanged at 0.5 point. □

US Financial Front: How lower oil prices could fuel more American hiring

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WASHINGTON (AP) — In June, when oil cost \$107 a barrel, U.S. employers added a healthy number of jobs — 267,000. Now, with oil below \$50, hopes are rising that hiring in the United States is poised to intensify. Goldman Sachs forecasts that if oil stays near its current price, the economy will add 300,000 more jobs this year than if the price had remained at its June level. Stronger job growth is foreseen at retailers, auto dealers, shipping firms, restaurants and hotels — all of which will likely show gains in Friday's jobs report for December.

From gas-station prices to utility bills, consumers and businesses are now enjoying savings on basic energy costs. It means more people can splurge on purchases from clothing and appliances to vacations and dinners out. That stronger demand will likely require some businesses to step up hiring, which would circulate more money through the economy and perhaps fuel further job growth.

Just as critically, cheaper gas is suppressing overall U.S. inflation. Lower prices keep down yields on U.S. Treasurys. Lower yields, in turn, serve the housing market by reducing mortgage rates and potentially producing more construction jobs. This week, for example, the average rate on a 30-year fixed mortgage sank to 3.73 percent, its lowest point since May 2013.

"These lower oil costs are a tax cut for everybody — except the energy producers," said Joseph LaVorgna, chief U.S. economist at Deutsche Bank. "It gives us an acceleration in employment."

Not everyone will benefit. U.S. oil and gas drillers risk layoffs if energy prices don't recover. Industry suppliers such as U.S. Steel blamed the falling prices in announcing plans this week to lay off 756 workers who make tubing for the oil

sector.

At the same time, those losses, painful for cities such as Houston or Oklahoma City, represent a modest portion of the U.S. job market. The energy sector employs about 1.4 percent of all U.S. employees, according to Deutsche Bank calculations. So what job sectors stand to benefit?

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Sales of new cars are forecast to exceed 17 million this year, a level not reached since 2005, according to auto analysts.

efficient models.

"If you're a new-car buyer and your monthly fuel costs are \$50 to \$75 less than a year ago," he said, "you've got more flexibility in terms of the monthly investment you can make in an automobile."

Frye plans to hire 15 salespeople for the company's six dealerships by March, up from about 12 last year.

SHIPPING

Many trucking firms are plowing the savings from lower fuel costs back into their businesses. That helps the 4.7 million workers in the

that will likely lead to further hiring by manufacturers over time.

RESTAURANTS

Falling gas prices have been a boon for restaurants. Restaurant sales rose 4.4 percent from June, when gas prices peaked, to November, according to government data. This suggests that hiring is poised to pick up because jobs at restaurants have risen just 1.3 percent over the same period.

Brian Miller of the recruiting firm Patrice and Associates says inquiries from



A Philadelphia business displays a help wanted sign in its storefront. With the price of oil below \$50 a barrel, consumers will have steadily more money to spend, potentially creating job openings at retailers, auto dealers, shipping firms, restaurants and hotels.

(AP Photo/Matt Rourke)

The Energy Department says lower gasoline prices will save U.S. households \$550 this year — roughly equivalent to four months of lease payments on a 2014 Honda Civic.

The additional sales will help boost the number of manufacturing jobs, which total 12.2 million but remain 1.5 million shy of its pre-recession peak at the end of 2007, according to the government. It would also add to the ranks of the 1.2 million people who work at auto dealers.

Kirt Frye of Sunnyside Automotive Group, an auto chain in Cleveland, says potential buyers appear increasingly open to buying cars beyond the most fuel-

transportation and warehousing industries.

"They're actually increasing driver wages," noted Bob Costello, chief economist at the American Trucking Associations.

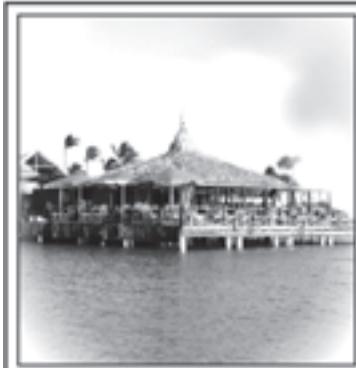
Average pay in the transportation sector have risen 2.5 percent over the past 12 months to \$20.61 an hour. But some trucking companies such as Crete Carrier in Lincoln, Nebraska are now advertising annual pay increases of 13 percent to recruit drivers.

Costello said many shipping companies are also replacing their aging trucks, which get as little as 5 miles a gallon, with new vehicles that cost \$125,000 a piece — an investment

restaurants seeking new managers have jumped. He attributes the increase to lower gas prices, which have boosted sales and "increased the sense of urgency" among many chains.

"Their demand is up, their foot traffic is up, they want to expand," Miller said. "We have companies calling us, saying, 'We need help now.'"

This week, the fast food chain Sonic — with more than 3,500 drive-ins — reported that sales have been boosted by cheaper gasoline. "There's no doubt in the last six months the price of fuel has been a big contributor," said Cliff Hudson, Sonic's CEO. □



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American Living:

Missing the Grit of the Old South Street Seaport

MATT A.V. CHABAN

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NEW YORK - Looking as tough as gangsters, which some of their bosses were, the fishmongers are lined up against a wall at the South Street Seaport in Manhattan, menacing any stranger who passes by. Vinny smiles through his cigarette, handsome as Brando. Jake the Snake, after decades on the docks, looks as swollen as an octopus. Big John has drawn his tiny pistol, a joke and a threat.

Vinny, Jake and John are long gone, the seaport having given up any real connection to the sea a decade ago, when the last in a succession of mayors finally prevailed in shipping the old Fulton Fish Market out to the Bronx. The wall against which these three lean is inside Barbara Mensch's apartment on Water Street, where they stare from the confines of large black-and-white photographs. Mensch moved to her top-floor loft 35 years ago, looking for cheap space to pursue her art. What she found was more than just a bargain and a light-filled studio. The hand trucks brimming with fish, the handguns playfully brandished and the hand-laid bricks of the Brooklyn Bridge became her muse. "I fell in love with this place," she said. "How could you not, with so many characters?"

Mensch has captured the ebbs and flows of the seaport ever since, culminating with construction of the Pier 17 mall in the early 1980s, photographs that became a coffee-table book-cum-memoir,

"South Street." Her photos brought dignity to the hardworking men of South Street - a respect few outside the docks gave them anymore.

of them there ever were in this largely commercial area, she cannot shake her misgivings about the new development.

"I'm not a nostalgist, I

upscale amenities they will bring.

To think the seaport could reach such heights was almost unfathomable when Mensch arrived in



Buildings that once housed fish-related businesses in the South Street Seaport neighborhood in New York. The neighborhood, once home to the Fulton Fish Market, is poised for transformation yet again, with what remains of the abandoned market set for redevelopment.

(Richard Perry/The New York Times)

Now the neighborhood is poised for transformation yet again. What remains of the abandoned market, now a parking lot, is set for redevelopment. The plans include a glistening new mall out on the pier and, in place of the New Market Building, a rippling apartment tower nearly 500 feet tall, surging above the freeway like a crystalline tall ship.

Mensch lost interest in the seaport long ago, at least artistically. She has turned much of her focus to the Brooklyn Bridge, which feels almost close enough to touch from the 6-foot-high windows of her apartment. Even so, like many of the old-timers, what few

swear," Mensch said. "The question is, what are we going to replace these institutions with? What are we going to do keep the character of our neighborhoods? Do we really need another mall or high-rise?"

She is not alone. Manhattan Community Board 1 has been critical of the proposal, and on Monday evening its landmarks committee passed a resolution opposing a number of aspects of the project. The decision was advisory, with nothing official expected for months.

At the same time, many of Mensch's new neighbors in the faux-historical shops and condos have embraced the plans for the

1979. And while it was the \$125 rent that drew her from SoHo, she had a longstanding kinship with the city's shores, having grown up in Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn.

At the time, she was still pursuing painting and working as an illustrator when her mother started to succumb to lung cancer. Mensch picked up a camera to chronicle her mother's illness, communicating through the lens.

"I realized it gave me this remarkable freedom and immediacy," she said. "Instead of being stuck inside, working on a canvas for weeks at a time, I could pursue my work in the city I loved."

Mensch began explor-

ing her neighborhood, a medium-format Rolleiflex in hand. She soon found the locals were not exactly welcoming of a petite woman toting a camera - not least because the market was constantly under investigation for connections to organized crime. She eventually won over many of the guys by showing up, night in and night out, with her camera, as well as with photo books by her heroes, Eugène Atget and Walker Evans.

"She was tenacious or fearless, maybe both," said Frank Mineo, the second-generation owner of Smitty's Fillet House, now in the Bronx. "She was fair to everybody and didn't try to romanticize it, just showed the market how it really was." Back at her loft, which she now owns, Mensch said she should never leave behind the view of the bridge (now partly obscured by one of those condo buildings) or the marks in the worn wood floors from where barrels of smoked fish once sat. Still, she finds herself spending more time upstate, with a new boyfriend, and she has even begun shooting in color, regal photos of roaming horses and baroque sunsets. Once her Brooklyn Bridge project is finished, she is not sure what will be left to keep her here.

"I've always viewed the city in black and white; it's always been gritty to me," Mensch said. "It's not that it's gloomy, but color has never been part of my subconscious. And now the grit is gone. All that's left is glitz and glass and color." □



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Merkel:

Moscow must show progress to ease Ukraine crisis

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BERLIN - Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany said Thursday that the crisis in Ukraine could be eased only if Russia made tangible progress on all 12 points of a four-month-old agreement and that sanctions imposed on Moscow for its actions in eastern Ukraine could be lifted only if that overall progress was made. Germany has taken the lead in diplomatic efforts to end the violence in eastern Ukraine, and Merkel is scheduled to attend what she pointedly called "a possible meeting in Astana," in Kazakhstan, with the presidents of France, Russia and Ukraine.

She gave no date, however, and insisted that Russia must first make "visible progress" toward meeting its obligations in the agreement known as the Minsk accord.

The accord has brought a shaky cease-fire, but no Russian withdrawal, to eastern Ukraine since it was signed Sept. 17.

"We have had road maps before, and they weren't adhered to," Merkel told reporters after meeting the Ukrainian prime minister, Arseniy P. Yatsenyuk.

There have been mounting calls - including from President François Hollande of France this week - for Europe to lift or ease sanctions imposed on Moscow, both for its annexation of Crimea last March and its subsequent role in eastern Ukraine.

Merkel said any action could come only if there was progress on all points of the Minsk accord, which lays down clear zones

where Russia and Ukraine can operate under the eye of European monitors.

"You can't say, we will lift 10 percent of sanctions for the line of control, or 20 percent if some other point is met," the chancellor said. "I think we need to see the entire Minsk agreement implemented before we can say that sanctions will be lifted."

Yatsenyuk said earlier that the Minsk accord "is not a menu; you can't cherry-pick" which items to adhere while ignoring others. And, he told an audience at the German Council on Foreign Relations, a non-governmental group, that "sanctions are extremely important" to keep the pressure on Russia.

On Wednesday, as the Ukrainian prime minister headed to Germany, at least three official German websites went offline after an apparent effort by hackers who demanded that Berlin cease support for the government in Kiev. All of the government's sites were fully accessible Thursday.

Yatsenyuk blamed the Russian secret service for funding the hacker group, which calls itself CyberBer-kut.

The group claimed responsibility for taking down the websites of the lower house of parliament and Merkel's official home page.

"I strongly recommend that the Russian secret services stop spending taxpayer money for cyberattacks on the Bundestag and Chancellor Merkel's office," Yatsenyuk told the German television broadcaster ZDF, referring to the lower house. □



German Chancellor Angela Merkel, center, and the Prime Minister of Ukraine Arseniy Yatsenyuk, left, listen to the national anthems during the welcome ceremony at the chancellery in Berlin, Germany, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015. Merkel and Yatsenyuk meet for bilateral talks in Berlin.

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Paris attack raises fears of support surge for extreme right

FRANK JORDANS

Associated Press

BERLIN (AP) — A day after terror struck Paris, Europe's far-right and anti-immigrant parties pressed home the message that has fueled their resurgence: The continent's rising numbers of Muslims are dangerous. Populist movements warning of the "Islamization" of Europe have been gaining ground in small countries like Denmark and large ones like Britain, Germany and France. The attack on satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo could win more supporters to their cause. Fears of precisely the kind of commando-style attack that struck the newspaper on Wednesday, killing 12 people, have risen sharply in recent months as home-grown fighters return from Syria and Iraq. Such warnings have been aired across the political spectrum, but the anti-immigrant parties have been at the forefront.

Now the surreal scenes of carnage on a quiet Parisian street — with cartoonists as victims — are likely to



Thousands of participants of a 'Patriotic Europeans against the Islamization of the West' (PEGIDA) rally gather in Dresden, eastern Germany in this mid-December photo. The words at the banner read: 'Nonviolent and united against faith wars in Germany - Pegida'. The deadly shootings in Paris are prompting concerns in Europe that anti-Islamist movements and far-right parties may be able to harness the reaction to gain broader support, as many trumpeted a message of "I told you so" the day after the slaughter.

(AP Photo/Jens Meyer)

feed into the arguments of right-wing forces that have been the loudest in declaring Islam to be incompatible with Western values. There are concerns that more mainstream Europeans will be pulled into their orbit, and that mainstream

parties will be tempted to parrot the hard-line rhetoric.

Even as Europe's Islamic community leaders lined up to condemn the terrorism, and a Muslim policeman emerged as a hero in Wednesday's drama, pop-

ulist forces lost no opportunity to lash out against Europe's Muslim population. In Britain, Nigel Farage, leader of the anti-Europe, anti-immigrant UK Independence Party, said the attacks were the result of "a fifth column" of people

living within Western societies "who hate us."

His language was condemned by other politicians. Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg, leader of the Liberal Democrats, accused Farage of implying "that many, many British Muslims who I know feel fervently British but also are very proud of their Muslim faith are somehow part of the problem rather than part of the solution."

In the nation hit by the terror, Marine LePen, leader of the surging far-right National Front, urged the French to wake up to the threat of Islamic fundamentalism: "The time of denial, hypocrisy is no longer possible."

Some of the most vocal rightist response to the terror in Paris was in Germany, where the Nazi past has long made xenophobic rhetoric taboo.

A leader of the far-right National Democratic Party, or NPD, said the party would mobilize followers to join anti-Islam street protests in the eastern city of Dresden that have been growing in size over the past three months. □

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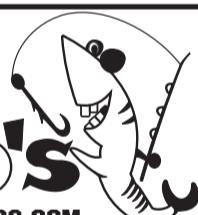
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Nigerian leader launches re-election bid

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Associated Press

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Nigerian President Goodluck Jonathan launched his bid for re-election Thursday at a time when Africa's biggest oil producer faces a growing Islamic uprising in the northeast and a slump in oil prices and the national currency.

Jonathan, 57, urged thousands of screaming supporters at a rally in Lagos to vote for him and "move Nigeria forward."

Jonathan is considered the front runner in the Feb. 14 elections, though his candidacy has split his party. Several governors from the predominantly Muslim north and elsewhere have defected to a new opposition coalition, charging Jonathan has broken an unwritten party rule to

rotate the presidency between a Muslim northerner and a Christian southerner. The first coalition of the opposition is expected to produce the tightest presidential race since decades of military rule ended in 1994. Jonathan's People's Democratic Party has governed since then. At the rally, Jonathan touted success in promoting agriculture and industry and recently privatizing the troubled electricity sector, though many still suffer long power cuts.

The president's chief rival is Muhammadu Buhari, a former military dictator. Jonathan's opponents promote Buhari as better equipped to confront the challenges presented by Nigeria's home-grown Boko Haram extremist group. Boko Haram has seized large swaths of northeast Nigeria, with soldiers

complaining they are outgunned and outnumbered by the insurgents despite a defense budget of more than \$5 billion a year.

More than 10,000 people were killed last year in the insurgency, according to the Washington-based Council on Foreign Affairs. Some 1.6 million people have been driven from their homes.

Many question how Nigeria will be able to hold elections in the three northeastern states under the partial sway of Boko Haram.

The economy is more of an issue in the south, where there is oil and industry and more educated Nigerians. Ordinary Nigerians are feeling the pinch from slumping prices for oil that produces 80 percent of government revenue, and inflation caused by the falling naira currency. □

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China hosts Latin American bloc, hails ties with region

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Associated Press

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese President Xi Jinping hailed growing ties with Latin America on Thursday, pledging to use his country's economic clout to support billions of dollars in regional projects and almost double two-way trade to \$500 billion over the next 10 years.

Xi held talks with officials from left-leaning nations in the Western Hemisphere a day after meeting Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro, who said he received pledges of \$20 billion in Chinese investment in his country's beleaguered economy.

Xi emphasized the potential for future growth in ties between China and the grouping of more than 30 nations known as the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, which together account for one-eighth of the global economy. Late Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez and other leftist leaders pushed the bloc as an alternative to U.S.-led regional organizations.

"I am sure that this meeting will yield rich results, send to the world a strong message of our commitment to deepening cooperation for common development," Xi said.

He emphasized China's commitment to an independent foreign policy and to maintaining an equal partnership with the region, comments likely to appeal to many in the grouping who resent what they see as unfair dominance by the United States.

Trade between China and the region grew from \$10 billion in 2000 to \$257 billion in 2013, driven largely by Chinese demand for commodities such as crude oil and soybeans. While slowing



Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro speaks at the opening ceremony to a two-day meeting between China and Latin American and Caribbean countries held at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015. Chinese President Xi Jinping hailed burgeoning ties Thursday with Latin America, pledging to use his country's economic clout to support billions of dollars in regional projects and almost double two-way trade to \$500 billion over the next 10 years. (AP Photo/Ng Han Guan)

growth in China will soften demand for such products, Xi said Latin America and the Caribbean would benefit heavily from forecasts of \$10 trillion in Chinese imports from the entire globe over the next five years.

Along with the targeted in-

crease in two-way trade, Xi said he wants to increase direct investment in the region to \$250 billion over the next five years. Last July, China extended a \$20 billion loan to the region for infrastructure development, another \$10 billion in prefer-

ential loans, a \$5 billion fund for cooperation between the sides and \$50 million for agricultural development. Xi said the meeting would produce three documents, including one laying out cooperation goals through 2019 in diplomacy, trade,

finance, energy and other areas. The new partnerships raise pressure on the United States, which has traditionally enjoyed close economic, cultural and political ties with Latin American countries. All of the region's nations are scheduled to meet for the Summit of the Americas in April in Panama City, to be hosted by the Washington-headquartered Organization of American States.

China has particularly strong ties with several Latin American nations that have clashed diplomatically with the U.S., especially Venezuela. China is Venezuela's largest creditor and has loaned it more than \$40 billion over the past five years, some of which has been paid back in the form of oil deliveries.

Maduro said after his meeting Wednesday with Xi that there was no word on any new loan package. He said the \$20 billion in investments would go to "projects with an economic, energy and social character" but didn't specify exactly how the money would be spent. □

Former Korean Air exec indicted over 'nut rage'

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SEOUL, South Korea — A former Korean Air executive who flew into a rage over the way she was served nuts in a first-class cabin, forcing a plane back to the gate at Kennedy Airport to kick out a flight attendant, was indicted this week on criminal charges of violating aviation safety regulations and conspiring to hush up the episode.

The executive, Cho Hyun-ah, the eldest child of Korean Air's chairman, Cho Yang-ho, was fired from her position as a vice president of the airline and jailed last

month after her actions Dec. 5 set off a national uproar and turned her family and Korean Air into objects of international ridicule. Her fall from grace was the latest blow to South Korea's powerful family-controlled business empires, known as chaebol, which have been plagued by corruption scandals, tax evasion charges and sibling feuds over assets.

Prosecutors said Wednesday that Cho, 40, verbally and physically abused first-class flight attendants on a Korean Air flight bound for South Korea from New York after one of them served

her macadamia nuts in an unopened bag, instead of on a plate. During a 20-minute harangue, she ordered the plane to return to the gate to kick out Park Chang-jin, the head of the cabin crew, they said.

"The unprecedented turnaround of the plane undermined the credibility of Korean Air and the national image of South Korea," the prosecutors said in a statement. The "nut rage" incident, as Cho's case became known, drew extensive attention in South Korea, where many people considered it to be far more than a tantrum by

the spoiled daughter of a tycoon. They believed that the way Korean Air and the Transport Ministry had handled the episode confirmed some of their worst misgivings about the chaebol and their relations with government regulators.

Since the Korean War, a handful of chaebol families have built conglomerates like Samsung and Hyundai that dominate the South Korean economy. But they have also developed a reputation for running their corporate empires like dictators and for maintaining collusive ties with regulators. □

Dissidents free; US-Cuba deal still murky

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HAVANA (AP) — At least five dissidents were free Thursday in what a leading human rights advocate said was part of Cuba's deal with Washington to release 53 members of the island's political opposition. Neither the Obama administration nor the Cuban government spoke publicly about the releases, adding

Washington to be high-priority political prisoners. Castro said they would be released in "a unilateral way." But since then, neither Cuba nor the United States has publicly identified anyone on the list or announced they have gone free.

Facing criticism at home, U.S. officials said they never expected Cuba to move immediately to release the prisoners. They said the U.S.

been released without any of the judicial procedures that normally precede the end of political cases. A few hours later, he said a third dissident, Enrique Figuerola Miranda, was let go under similar circumstances.

On Thursday morning, he said that prisoners Ernesto Riveri Gascon y Lazaro Romero Hurtado had also been released.

Sanchez said he believed the releases were the start



A child holds a banner with an image of Fidel Castro and a message that reads in Spanish; "Eternally Fidel," in a caravan tribute marking the 56th anniversary of the original street party that greeted a triumphant Castro and his rebel army, in Regla, Cuba, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015.

(AP Photo/Ramon Espinosa)

to the unanswered questions swirling around the deal and the broader detente that the two countries announced Dec. 17.

President Barack Obama ended five decades of official U.S. hostility toward communist-governed Cuba by announcing that, along with an exchange of men held on espionage charges, he would move toward full diplomatic ties, drop regime change as a U.S. goal and use his executive authority to punch holes in the longstanding trade embargo.

His Cuban counterpart, Raul Castro, welcomed the announcement but said detente would not lead Cuba to change its single-party political system or centrally planned economy. U.S. officials told reporters on Dec. 17 that Cuba had agreed to free the 53 detainees, considered by

was avoiding public complaints that could provoke a backlash from Cuban officials.

For many Cuban-Americans and U.S. conservatives, the apparent lack of movement supported complaints that Obama's secretly negotiated deal was too opaque and had failed to win sufficient concessions from Cuba.

"It's unfair for us Cubans and Cuban-Americans not to be able to influence this situation that has such a tremendous relevance for the future of Cuba," said Francisco "Pepe" Hernandez, president of the Cuban American National Foundation.

On Wednesday, the head of Cuba's Human Rights and Reconciliation Commission, Elizardo Sanchez, told The Associated Press that 19-year-old twins Diango Vargas Martin and Bianko Vargas Martin had

of a wider liberation of political prisoners. If he is right, the criticism of the prisoner deal could quickly lose momentum.

But clarity about the fate of the prisoners would answer only one of the questions still hanging over the U.S.-Cuba deal worked out by small teams of negotiators behind closed doors over the 18 months leading up to the announcement.

Relatives of Rolando Sarraff Trujillo, a U.S. spy released under last month's deal, say they are puzzled about why they have yet to hear from him. And Cubans are wondering why former President Fidel Castro has said nothing in public more than three weeks after the announcement.

All five men were members of the Patriotic Union of Cuba, a small dissident group considered to be the country's most vehemently anti-government. □

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Uruguay: Explosive found near Embassy

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP) — Uruguayan police found what appeared to be a simulated explosive device Thursday about 100 meters (yards) from an office complex housing the Israeli Embassy, the Interior Ministry reported. Police dogs detected the device in a supermarket bag during a routine check around the World Trade Center area, the ministry said Thursday, and the area was quickly evacuated. The army spokesman, Col. Yamandu Lessa, said the object had detonating cord, which is itself explosive, but no detonator or other element that could set it off. "Everything indicates that it could be a simulation," he said. "There was also a wireless doorbell that you could find in any supermarket and some cables." □

Bolivian cop: Venezuelan envoy bit him

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — A Bolivian policeman says he was bitten by a Venezuelan diplomat he stopped on suspicion of driving drunk. For his part, the diplomat says the officer broke his jaw. Sub-Lieutenant Franklin Mamani says the diplomat he identified only as Alexis T. aggressively asserted diplomatic immunity and bit off a piece of his nose during the traffic stop. Dennis Espinoza is an attorney for the diplomat, and he told Radio Erbol on Thursday that the police officer actually beat his client and broke his jaw. The embassy itself had no comment because most of its personnel are on vacation. Television images seem to support both versions: They show the envoy with a bloodied face and the officer with a scarred nose. □

Costa Rica: 3 dead in catamaran wreck

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AP) — A catamaran carrying dozens of foreign tourists on a pleasure cruise capsized off Costa Rica on Thursday, killing three people, emergency officials said. The boat, which was on a day trip to the popular Tortuga (Turtle) Island, sank completely about 9 miles (15 kilometers) off the country's central Pacific Coast. Firefighters Corps director Hector Chavez said initial reports of an explosion and fire were mistaken. Survivors reported that strong waves filled the boat with water and caused it to sink, he said. He also lowered the death toll to three, saying that one of the dead had been counted twice. The country's Public Security Ministry said in a Twitter posting that one of the victims was a U.S. citizen and another was from Britain. □

Guyana creates group to protect wild-life

GEORGETOWN, Guyana (AP) — Guyana announced Thursday that it has created a task force to curb a thriving illegal wildlife trade that targets animals in the South American country's lush interior. The move comes amid an uptick in exotic meats being exported and sold at local restaurants as well as an increase in hunters from the U.S., Canada and neighboring Trinidad. The Natural Resources Ministry said the task force will help enforce wildlife protection laws and ensure that hunting seasons are being respected. It also will be responsible for issuing the first-ever permits to hunters and trappers as well as vendors who sell wild game. Animals including jaguars, wild hogs and deer live in Guyana's heavily forested interior. □

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Two Sisters and Twin Engagements While Vacationing in Aruba!

EAGLE BEACH - Rebecca Frey and David Ramos were engaged in Aruba at sunset on Eagle Beach, on January 1st, 2015. Rachael Frey and Ian Thompson did the same at the California Lighthouse at sunrise on January 6th, 2015. The sisters were both vacationing on the island at La Cabana Beach Resort & Casino with multi-generational family members and boyfriends, when inspired by the island's romantic spirit, the later popped the question, in two different iconic locations. Rachel and Ian first laid

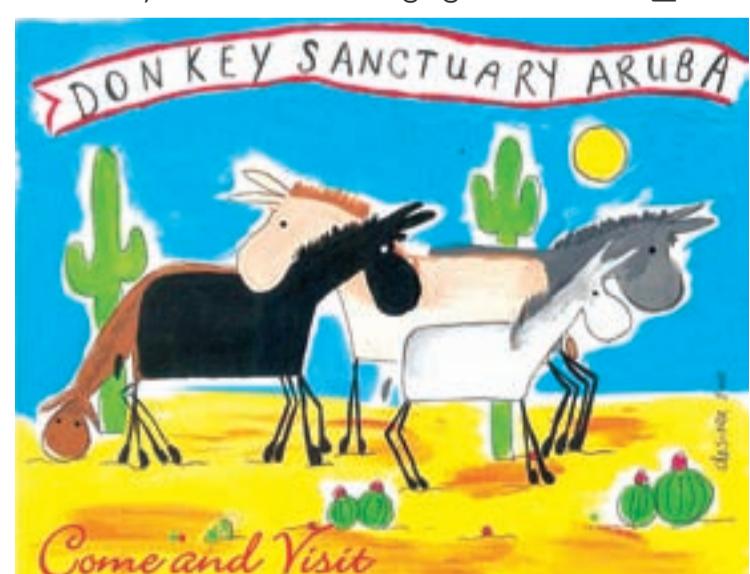
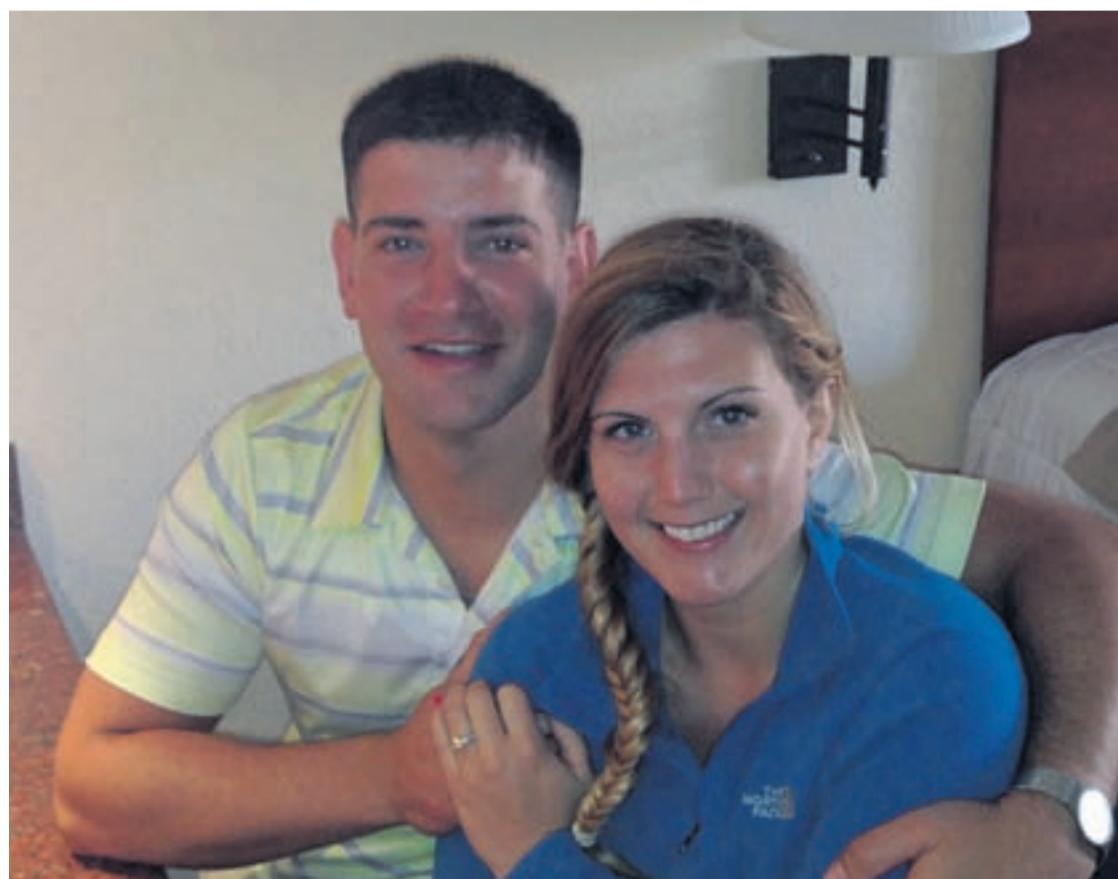
eyes on each other ten years ago at Craigville Bible Church in New York. After several years of the Frey and Thompson families vacationing together here in Aruba -- they have been vacationing here for the past 17 years -- the couple started dating. They then relocated to Atlanta, Georgia, where Rachael is attending Life University Chiropractic school. They have been living there together happily for the past three years. The engagement ring, says family member David Ramos was custom



made by Germani Jewelers here on the island, and the couple plans on getting married on Aruba, of course, in 2016.

Rebecca Frey and David Ramos courted for almost two years, having grown up together in their hometown of Washingtonville, New York, the two share mutual friends, and feelings, but were initially too shy to begin a relationship at that time. Thirteen years later, the

couple reconnected online through Facebook and are now living together. The pair plans to wed this year at home, with David's two sons, David Jr and Scott, at their side, then honeymoon on a Caribbean cruise. Pictured here the two pairs of love birds, engaged in Aruba. □





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RETURN OF TIGER

In this Dec. 7, 2014, file photo, Tiger Woods tees off on the fourth hole during the final round of the Hero World Challenge golf tournament in Windermere, Fla. Woods hasn't revealed where he will start his 2015 campaign, but if there is one tournament to gauge his progress, mark down the Cadillac Championship at Doral.

Associated Press

Golf begins a new year with 5 events to keep an eagle eye on

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

KAPALUA, Hawaii (AP) — Predictions are a dangerous business, especially in golf.

How many could have guessed that Tiger Woods, No. 1 in the world and coming off a five-win season, would play in only nine tournaments, finish only four of them and plunge to No. 32 in the world because of injuries?

Or that Bubba Watson, who had gone 38 events without winning, would finish 2014 as highest-ranked American?

Instead, the start of a new year at Kapalua allows a

look into the future — not what will happen, but the five events that hold the most anticipation.

THE MASTERS: Already the highlight of any year, this will be the first time since 1991 that a player showed up at Augusta National with a chance to complete the career Grand Slam. That was Lee Trevino. And it wasn't much of a chance. Trevino was 51, and he never seriously contended at Masters.

Rory McIlroy is 25. Not only has Boy Wonder captured the last two majors, he probably should have had a green jacket by now. He had a four-shot

lead going into the final round in 2011 before he imploded into a series of blunders on his way to an 80. The only potential distraction is his day in court over a lawsuit involving his former management company. The trial is scheduled for February.

If history is any indication, don't read too much into his form during the road to the Masters. The last time one player faced so much scrutiny at the Masters was Woods in 2001 when he was going for an unprecedented sweep. Woods heard whispers that he was in a slump because he went six straight tournaments with-

out winning at the start of the year. Woods then ran off three straight victories, culminating with another green jacket and his place in history.

THE U.S. OPEN: There are more compelling elements at the U.S. Open than the Masters. But the U.S. Open doesn't whet the public's appetite in the cold of winter with the Masters commercial that made you wish April could get here tomorrow.

This year delivers back-to-back majors where someone can join the most elite group in golf with a career Grand Slam — McIlroy at the Masters, Phil Mickelson

at the U.S. Open. Mickelson already had one crack at it last year at Pinehurst No. 2 and he never broke par. Lefty is in great shape physically — the public will get its first look at him in two weeks — and even at 44, he believes he will have multiple chances. His next one will be a course no one knows.

The U.S. Open goes to Chambers Bay outside Seattle, an expansive, links-looking course that hosted the 2010 U.S. Amateur but nothing of significance at the professional level.

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Rusty Roger Federer survives 2nd round, advances in Brisbane

JOHN PYE

AP Sports Writer

BRISBANE, Australia (AP) —

Roger Federer was rusty in his season-opening match at the Brisbane International, and it had him in a serious sweat.

The 17-time Grand Slam winner held his cool to recover from a set and a break down and beat Australian wild-card entry John Millman 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 on Thursday.

The weather was reasonably mild for subtropical Brisbane, where Federer lost to Lleyton Hewitt in the final last year. It was the hot reception from the No. 153-ranked Millman that troubled him for a while.

"I'm sweating like crazy," Federer said. "Under a lot of pressure. I think I got quite lucky in the second set. He



Roger Federer of Switzerland plays a shot in his match against John Millman of Australia during the Brisbane International tennis tournament in Brisbane, Australia, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015.

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was playing great tennis." It was slow start for the 33-year-old Swiss star, who had a first-round bye. He wasted four break-point chances in an opening

game that lasted seven minutes before Millman held.

Federer was broken in the 10th game, saving three set points before hitting a

swinging forehand volley too long to surrender the first set to Millman, who was getting raucous support from a parochial, home-town crowd.

The top-seeded Federer dropped serve to give Millman a 3-1 lead. But he broke back immediately, setting it up with classic one-handed backhand down the line, and saved three break points in the next game to keep it on serve. That's when things started to go his way.

"First match of the season, you never know quite what to expect," said Federer, who walked on court with 996 career match wins on the ATP tour — 993 more than Millman. "Credit to him for pushing it."

Federer will face another Australian wild-card entry in

the next round, after James Duckworth beat Jarkko Nieminen 4-6, 7-6 (5), 6-3.

Third-seeded Milos Raonic had 17 aces and didn't face a break point in a 6-3, 6-4 win over Mikhail Kukushkin of Kazakhstan to set up a quarterfinal match against Sam Groth of Australia, who beat Lukasz Kubot of Poland 6-4, 6-7 (2), 7-6 (3).

The 24-year-old Canadian has worked hard to improve his serve, and believes he's ready to make his breakthrough at the Grand Slam events.

"That's the biggest goal I've set for myself," said Raonic, who reached the Wimbledon semifinals and French Open quarterfinals last year. "I've been in a semifinal now, but I can do much better."

Djokovic bounced out of Qatar Open in quarterfinals

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — Top-ranked Novak Djokovic was upset by Ivo Karlovic of Croatia 6-7 (2), 7-6 (6), 6-4 while playing through a sandstorm in the Qatar Open quarterfinals on Thursday.

Karlovic beat Djokovic when they last met in 2008, also the year of his only previous win over a world No. 1, Roger Federer in Cincinnati.

"He served very well," Djokovic said. "But you could expect that. I was coming into the match knowing that I will have very, very few chances. But I was hoping that these conditions and the wind

will kind of give me some second-serve opportunities."

Despite the swirling wind, Karlovic's serve was stellar again, a 73 percent first-serve percentage.

In the third set, in which he served two aces and two service winners in the final game, Karlovic was even better on first serve, at 85 percent.

Djokovic's irritation at his inability to break Karlovic, boosted the lanky Croat.

"I looked at him when he threw the racket and when he smashed the ball, so I knew that he was a little bit frustrated," Karlovic said. "So I was just trying to stay

calm."

He never offered Djokovic a break-point opportunity in the 2-hour, 15-minute match, and took advantage of a second break point in the seventh game of the third set with a perfect forehand pass.

"In these particular matches, one ball can decide a winner, and that was the case," Djokovic said. "Just played a little bit too defensive in that game. I just, instead of kind of going through the ball, just sent the ball back."

Karlovic added 21 aces to his resume for a career total of 9,062. This week, he joined Goran Ivanisevic



Novak Djokovic of Serbia reacts after losing a point to Croatia's Ivo Karlovic during their quarterfinal of the Qatar Open at the Khalifa tennis complex in Doha, Qatar, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015.

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(10,183) and Andy Roddick (9,074) as the only players since 1991 to serve more than 9,000 aces

"Maybe the next match," Karlovic said of being only 13 aces from passing Roddick.

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And something else brand new for the U.S. Open — Joe Buck and Greg Norman will be calling the shots. This marks the debut of Fox Sports in major championship golf.

RETURN OF TIGER: Woods hasn't revealed where he will start his 2015 campaign, but if there is one tournament to gauge his progress, mark down the Cadillac Championship at Doral.

Torrey Pines is always a good measure — Woods, an eight-time champion at Torrey, missed the 54-hole cut last year in a sign of what was to come.

But the international stars — McIlroy, Adam Scott, Henrik Stenson, Justin Rose — are not likely to be anywhere on the West Coast. For the first time, a true test for Woods is more than the golf course. It's the field.

The first big gathering will be the Honda Classic, and while Woods was runner-up three years ago, he has never won at PGA National.

That's what makes Doral such an interesting tournament as it relates to Woods. All the stars will be in Miami, and while Doral has undergone significant changes ever since Donald Trump bought it, Woods is a five-time winner on the Blue Monster.

RYDER CUP CAPTAIN: America usually has a new Ryder Cup captain by now. Now it has a task force.

The next meeting of this illustrious group is not until the first week in February, and it's anyone's guess when it will select the 2016 captain for Hazeltine. Tom Watson didn't work out in a loss last September in Scotland that was ugly on many levels. Fred Couples is popular with the players and 3-0 as captain in the Presidents Cup. Then



In this April 10, 2014, file photo, Rory McIlroy, of Northern Ireland, hits out of a bunker on the second green during the first round of the Masters golf tournament in Augusta, Ga. Not only has Boy Wonder captured the last two majors, he probably should have had a green jacket by now.

Associated Press

again, it's a little easier to beat an International team playing under a manufactured flag than a European team playing for its tour.

The pendulum was swinging toward the Americans before the fiasco at Gleneagles. The best thing the task force can do is not

overthink this.

ST. ANDREWS: It's always a special year when golf's oldest championship returns to St. Andrews, especially when it's time to say goodbye.

This year that honor belongs to Tom Watson, play-

ing in his final British Open, the only man to claim the claret jug on five courses (but never St. Andrews). And it's a chance for Watson to be remembered for what he can do with a club in his hand on a links course, instead of driving a cart at Gleneagles.



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Hawks keep up form surge with 96-86 win

The Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — Jeff Teague scored 25 points, and the Atlanta Hawks beat the Memphis Grizzlies 96-86 on Wednesday night for their sixth consecutive win.

Atlanta has won 20 of 22 overall. The Eastern Conference-leading Hawks also have a nine-game winning streak against teams from the West.

The Hawks grabbed control with a 10-0 run following an 84-all tie. Al Horford, who had 12 points, started the run with a jumper. Teague and Kyle Korver followed with 3-pointers and Teague added another basket for a 94-84 lead.

Mike Conley led Memphis with 17 points. Marc Gasol had 16.

WARRIORS 117, PACERS 102 OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Klay Thompson scored 40 points, and Golden State shook off a slow start on the way to its fifth straight win. Thompson made 14 of 25 shots, including 6 of 11 from 3-point range, and Stephen Curry added 21 points and a season-high-tying 15 assists to help the NBA-leading Warriors (28-5) stretch their home winning streak to 13 games.

The Pacers pulled ahead by 11 points early and gave Golden State a rare fight despite center Roy Hibbert limping off with a sprained left ankle in the first quarter. The Warriors roared back to tie it at 50 at the half, opened the third quarter on a 14-1 run and made the game look easier than it really was with the final margin.

Solomon Hill scored 21 points and David West had 16 for the Pacers.

ROCKETS 105, CAVALIERS 93

CLEVELAND (AP) — James

Harden scored 21 points, Dwight Howard had 17 points and 19 rebounds, and Houston roared past Cleveland in the fourth quarter.

The Cavaliers played their sixth straight game without LeBron James. The four-time NBA MVP said he's on target to return in a week from a strained back and knee.

The Rockets handed the Cavs their seventh loss in nine games.

Kyrie Irving scored a season-high 38 points for the Cavs, who lost their fourth straight at home. J.R. Smith didn't score in 19 minutes in his Cleveland debut. The unpredictable guard was acquired earlier in the week from the Knicks along with guard Iman Shumpert. During the game, the Cavs pulled off their second big trade in three days, acquiring 7-foot-1 center Timofey Mozgov from Denver in exchange for two first-round draft picks.

HORNETS 98, PELICANS 94 CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Kemba Walker scored 31 points, including a tie-breaking three-point play with 1.4 seconds left, and Charlotte earned its third consecutive win.

Walker drove the right side of the lane and converted an 11-foot jumper after Jrue Holiday hit him on the arm. Walker then made the foul shot for a 97-94 lead.

The Pelicans had one last chance to tie, but Marvin Williams stole the inbounds pass at half court and was fouled. He went 1 for 2 at the line to seal the victory.

Anthony Davis had 32 points, 12 rebounds and four blocks for New Orleans.

WIZARDS 101, KNICKS 91 WASHINGTON (AP) — The Knicks set a record for lon-



Los Angeles Clippers forward Blake Griffin, top, goes up for a dunk as Los Angeles Lakers forward Ed Davis looks on during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2015, in Los Angeles.

Associated Press

gest in-season slide in the proud franchise's 69-year history.

The defeat was the Knicks' 13th in a row, surpassing the mark set at the end of the 1984-85 season, and their 23rd in 24 games. It featured all the now-familiar follies and a few new ones: passes that went nowhere, shots that became bricks, and Tim Hardaway Jr.'s bizarre decision to pass the ball away from the basket when he had a two-on-one fast break right in front of him.

John Wall had 18 points and eight assists for the Wizards, who avoided slipping in an obvious trap game after a tough five-game road trip.

Jose Calderon scored 17 points for the Knicks.

CLIPPERS 114, LAKERS 89 LOS ANGELES (AP) — Blake Griffin scored 27 points, Chris Paul had 24 and the Clippers routed the Lak-

ers for their ninth win in 10 games against the 16-time NBA champions.

Griffin also had nine rebounds and eight assists. Paul added 11 assists.

The Clippers led by 10 after the opening quarter, stretched it to 22 points at halftime and were up by 36 going into the fourth in winning their fifth straight against the Lakers. They are enjoying their most successful stretch against the Lakers in franchise history.

Jordan Clarkson scored 14 points for the Lakers. Kobe Bryant finished with four points, eight rebounds and seven assists after going scoreless in the first half.

KINGS 104, THUNDER 83 SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Rudy Gay scored 28 points and Darren Collison added 24 to help Sacramento snap a 12-game losing streak to Oklahoma City.

DeMarcus Cousins had 23

points and 15 rebounds, and the Kings rolled to just their fourth win in 11 games under new coach Tyrone Corbin and first against Oklahoma City since Feb. 12, 2012.

Kevin Durant scored 24 points for the Thunder, who shot just 32.6 percent and lost both games of a brief Northern California road trip.

This marked the first time all season that Oklahoma City lost back-to-back games with Durant and Russell Westbrook in the lineup. The Thunder had won nine of 11 with their two stars healthy before the losses to Golden State and Sacramento.

SUNS 113, TIMBERWOLVES 111

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Gerald Green scored 15 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter, and Phoenix handed Minnesota its 13th straight loss.

Green hit three 3-pointers in the fourth, helping the Suns wipe away a seven-point deficit to start the period in the blink of an eye. Goran Dragic added 25 points and the Suns (22-16) survived a scare from the undermanned Timberwolves to win for the 10th time in 12 games.

Andrew Wiggins scored 25 points, but missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer that would have won the game for the Timberwolves, who haven't won since Dec. 10. Mo Williams added 23 points and 11 assists and the Wolves led by as many as 13 points. But they turned the ball over 22 times to fall to 5-29 on the season.

JAZZ 97, BULLS 77

CHICAGO (AP) — Derrick Favors had 20 points and 11 rebounds, and Utah used a strong defensive effort to get the win. □

Investigator: NFL should have sought more info in Rice case



In this March 12, 2013, file photo, then-FBI Director Robert Mueller testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington.

BARRY WILNER

AP Pro Football Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL failed to investigate the Ray Rice case properly, former FBI director Robert S. Mueller said in a report that also said he found no evidence the league received a video of the Baltimore Ravens running back knocking out his fiancee on a casino elevator.

"The NFL should have done more with the information it had and should have taken additional steps to obtain all available information about the Feb. 15 incident," Mueller III said in a statement after releasing his 96-page report on Thursday.

Mueller said he can find no evidence the league received the video showing Rice striking his fiancee before it was published online in September. A law enforcement official showed The Associated Press videos of the incident and said he mailed a DVD to NFL headquarters in April.

The report said a review of phone records and emails of NFL employees showed no evidence that anyone in the league had seen the video before Commissioner Roger Goodell initially suspended Rice for two games. The private investigation without subpoena power did not include any contact with the law enforcement

official who showed the AP the videos. The officer played the AP a 12-second voicemail from an NFL office number dated April 9, in which a woman verifies receipt of the DVD and says: "You're right, it's terrible."

The official, who insisted on anonymity because he was not authorized to share the evidence, says he took steps to avoid being found or identified by the NFL.

"We have reviewed the report and stand by our original reporting," said Kathleen Carroll, the AP's executive editor.

"The Mueller team did ask us for source material and other newsgathering information, but we declined. Everything that we report and confirm goes into our stories. We do not offer up reporters' notes and sources."

Mueller found the NFL's deference to the law enforcement process involving Rice "led to deficiencies in the league's collection and analysis of information during its investigation." He added such an approach "can foster an environment in which it is less important to understand precisely what a player did than to understand how and when the criminal justice system addresses the event."

Mueller's report details some of the efforts the NFL made

in obtaining the video, but said the league should have taken additional steps to find out what happened inside the elevator.

"League investigators did not contact any of the police officers who investigated the incident, the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office, or the Revel to attempt to obtain or view the in-elevator video or to obtain other information," the report said. "No one from the league asked Rice or his lawyer whether they would make available for viewing the in-elevator video they received as part of criminal discovery in early April."

The report also said the league didn't follow up on initial conversations with the Ravens to determine whether the team had more information.

The official showed the AP multiple videos from the casino the night Rice was arrested. Those videos included security cameras from inside and outside the elevator and two cellphone videos that included some audio.

The league said it considered the video published by TMZ in September to be new evidence meriting an indefinite suspension. Its emergence drew renewed backlash to the league from women's organizations, members of Congress

and players — all calling for more detail on how the NFL handled the case.

Giants owner John Mara and Steelers President Art Rooney, the men appointed by Goodell as liaisons to the investigation, said Mueller made six recommendations that the owners will review. Rooney and Mara discussed the report's recommendations with Goodell on Thursday.

Rooney and Mara agreed

that the league's policy on domestic violence was insufficient.

"We were slow to react, and in the case of Ray Rice, the original punishment was insufficient," their statement said. "In addition, the steps taken by the NFL to investigate this matter were inadequate. Since then, a new policy concerning domestic violence and other rules for conduct violations have been put into place." □



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Rangers continue hot streak with 4-1 win at Ducks

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, California (AP)

— Rick Nash scored his 25th goal, Henrik Lundqvist made 24 saves, and the New York Rangers beat the Anaheim Ducks 4-1 on Wednesday night for their 11th victory in 12 games.

Derick Brassard, Mats Zuccarello and Dominic Moore also scored for the Rangers, who opened their three-game California road trip with a dominant effort against the overall NHL leaders.

Francois Beauchemin scored midway through the third period for the Ducks, who have just one regulation victory in eight games.

Ilya Bryzgalov stopped 26 shots in his first home start in more than seven years for the Ducks, who re-signed their former backup goalie last month after a seven-year absence.

BRUINS 3, PENGUINS 2, OT
PITTSBURGH (AP) — Patrice Bergeron scored twice, including a deflection past Pittsburgh's Marc-Andre Fleury 2:43 into overtime to lift Boston to a victory over the Penguins.



The Ducks' Clayton Stoner, back, is being body checked by the Rangers' Mats Zuccarello during a game in Los Angeles on Wednesday night Jan. 7, 2014. The Ducks' Clayton Stoner, back, is being body checked by the Rangers' Mats Zuccarello during a game in Los Angeles on Wednesday night Jan. 7, 2014.

Associated Press

Bergeron got just enough of Milan Lucic's blast from the point to put it past Fleury as the Bruins ended a three-game losing streak. Zdeno Chara scored his

third goal of the season for Boston. Tuukka Rask stopped 37 shots. The last eight meetings between these teams have been decided by one goal.



In this Oct. 31, 1974, photo, Minnesota North Stars J.P. Parise, far right, scores as Boston Bruins Carol Vadnais, center, looks on in Bloomington, Minn. Parise has died from lung cancer.

Associated Press

AP - Sports

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — J.P. Parise, a Minnesota North Stars standout who also played for Canada in a landmark series against the Soviet Union in 1972, has died. He was 73.

Parise died Wednesday night at his home in suburban Prior Lake, the Parise family said in a statement.

He had been diagnosed with lung cancer a year ago and was in hospice care.

"We appreciate the outpouring of support we have received from family, friends and the entire hockey community during this difficult time," the family said in Thursday's statement. "J.P. was a

JP Parise, ex-Minnesota North Stars standout, dies at 73

great husband, father and grandpa and will be greatly missed by all of us."

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman issued a statement calling Parise "a consummate player, teacher and administrator in the game."

Parise was a major figure in Minnesota hockey, spending most of his career with the North Stars. He had 594 points in 890 games from 1965-79 with the North Stars, Boston, Toronto, the New York Islanders and the Cleveland Barons. He made two All-Star teams while with the North Stars. Parise's son, Zach, now stars for the Minnesota Wild.

After retirement, he spent nine seasons as a North Stars assistant coach and later ran the hockey program at Shattuck-St. Mary's prep school in Faribault,

Beau Bennett and Evgeni Malkin scored for Pittsburgh. Fleury made 21 saves but had no chance on Bergeron's winner.

The Bruins have scuffled through the first half of the season. They went just 5-6-3 in December, their first losing month in nearly two years and limped into Pittsburgh coming off three straight overtime losses.

CAPITALS 6, MAPLE LEAFS 2
TORONTO (AP) — Marcus Johansson and Eric Fehr scored two goals apiece, and Washington spoiled the debut of Toronto interim coach Peter Horachek. Brooks Laich and Alex Ovechkin, with an empty-net goal, also scored for Washington, which is 12-6-3 on the road. It was Ovechkin's 20th goal of the season and 50th career point against Toronto.

Braden Holtby's 22nd straight start tied Wayne Stephenson's club record as Washington, 7-1-2 in its last 10 games, won its third in a row.

Daniel Winnik and Trevor Smith scored for Toronto, which has lost three straight and is 2-8 in its last 10. For-

mer Maple Leafs coach Randy Carlyle was fired on Tuesday.

Horachek was tabbed as interim coach earlier Wednesday.

The Maple Leafs started well but fell into bad habits. Washington improved to 11-4-2 in its last 17 games against Toronto.

RED WINGS 3, FLAMES 2
CALGARY, Alberta (AP) — Justin Abdelkader and Henrik Zetterberg both had a goal and an assist to lead Detroit over Calgary.

Riley Sheahan also scored for Detroit (22-10-9), which has won five of seven. The Red Wings have won two of the first three games on a six-game trip.

Mason Raymond and Mikael Backlund scored for Calgary (21-17-3). The Flames are 3-2 with one game to go in a six-game homestand.

The Flames reached the halfway point of the season in ninth place in the Western Conference, two points back of the second wild card spot.

Detroit is third in the Atlantic Division, one point behind Montreal. □

was philosophical about his cancer.

"That's life," he said. "If someone was to tell you today that you're going to be going at 77, 78, you'd say, 'Boy, that's not bad.' I never think of this shortening my life, this shortening anything I'm going to do. I'm still going to travel, I'm still going to watch hockey."

Over the weekend, Zach Parise talked about the impending loss of his father with the Star Tribune.

"It's the hardest thing I've ever had to deal with in my life," he told the newspaper. "You try and find that separation, you try to come here and be around the guys and not think about it, and Yeo (coach Mike Yeo) has been really good and the team's been really good giving me the day off. □

Apple, developers feasting on people's app-etite for apps

MICHAEL LIEDTKE

AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Apple and thousands of mobile software developers are feasting on people's ravenous app-etite for apps.

Users of iPhones, iPads and iPod Touches spent nearly \$500 million on applications and in-app services during the first week of the year, according to figures released Thursday. That's the highest weekly volume recorded by Apple Inc. since the Cupertino, California, company opened its App Store seven years ago and revolutionized the way people connect with online services and play games.

If sales continue at the same opening-week pace, Apple and the makers of the apps would split up about \$25 billion in revenue. Apple's revenue-sharing formula calls for 70 percent of app sales to be paid to the developers with the rest kept by the company.

This year's fast start came after Apple's app billings surged by 50 percent in 2014, according to Thursday's breakdown. The increase produced more than \$10 billion for app

developers. That implies Apple reaped somewhere from \$4 billion to \$5 billion in revenue from its App Store last year, based on the company's 30 percent commission. Apple didn't disclose how much it made from the App Store last year.

Most analysts expect the App Store will contribute a bigger piece of Apple's future profits as people become more dependent on their mobile devices, encouraging developers to create even more services tailored for the gadgets. The latest version of Apple's mobile software, iOS 8, already is fueling demand with new categories for home and health management, as well as the opportunity to install alternatives to Apple's built-in keyboard for the first time.

What's more, Apple plans to release a line of smartwatches this spring that's likely to unleash another wave of app purchases.

As popular as it is, Apple's App Store lags behind Google's Play Store for Android devices in terms of total downloads, according to the analytical firm AppAnnie. That's largely because about 2 billion de-



In this Sept. 19, 2014 file photo, a customer shows off the new Apple iPhone 6 and 6 Plus at a store in Tokyo.

Associated Press

vices running on Google's free Android software have been shipped so far. Apple has sold more than 828 million mobile devices since the 2007 release of the iPhone.

But the smaller number of people using Apple's devices spends far more money on apps than Android's largest audience, according to AppAnnie and other analysts. That's because

Apple's products are higher priced and tend to attract more affluent buyers than the Android product line does. With less income to spend, Android users are more apt to focus on the wide range of free apps available for smartphones and tablets.

Google Inc. hasn't released last year's billing statistics for its Play Store. In late June, the company

said the Play store had distributed about \$5 billion to developers since opening its own app market in June. A Google spokeswoman said the company had no further updates to disclose Thursday.

Apple says its app developers have made \$25 billion since 2008. The company's store offers more than 1.4 million mobile apps in 155 countries. □

Samsung forecasts first annual profit drop in 3 years

YOUKYUNG LEE

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SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Samsung Electronics Co. said Thursday its annual profit fell for the first time in three years as its smartphone growth lost steam. The company's 2014 operating profit is expected to be about 24.9 trillion won (\$22.6 billion), down 32 percent from 2013, based on preliminary figures. It will release its full financial results including net profit and a breakdown of business divisions later this month.

For the fourth quarter of last year, Samsung said operating profit was about 5.2 trillion won (\$4.7 billion), down 37 percent from a year earlier. The result was still higher than analyst expectations

of 4.9 trillion won according to FactSet, a financial data provider, due to robust demand for memory chips.

Analysts said Samsung's smartphone business, which contributed two-thirds of its profit in the last two years, continued to struggle but improvements in its semiconductor division helped the company rebound from the third quarter, its worst quarter in nearly three years.

"It's time to see Samsung as a semiconductor company," said Lee Sei-cheol, an analyst at Woori Investment & Securities.

Quarterly sales dropped 12 percent to 52 trillion won, in line with the expectations of analysts.

Samsung's semiconduc-

tor division, which develops memory chips, mobile processors and solid state drives, will generate more profit than Samsung's Galaxy phone sales this year, according to Lee and other analysts.

Samsung's Galaxy smartphones were all the rage in 2012 and 2013, pushing the Korean phone maker past Nokia, Motorola and Apple Inc. in sales volume.

But that growth stopped in 2014 partly because of missteps in Samsung's flagship models and it had to heavily discount older phone models to keep them selling. The company was also squeezed in low- and mid-end phone segments by Chinese smartphone makers such as Xiaomi which

took over Samsung in China and India.

Samsung adopted metal to give a more sophisticated look to its smartphones and introduced a curved side display in the Galaxy Note Edge. The company also said it would reduce the number of models to lower costs.

Despite those efforts, Samsung's smartphone business is unlikely to repeat the growth momentum it had in the past, according to analysts. Growth instead will come from demand for memory chips but that gain will not be enough to stop Samsung's earnings from dropping again this year. To develop new revenue sources other than smartphones and semiconduc-

tors, Samsung is pushing hard in the emerging industry known as the Internet of Things with Internet-connected televisions, smart homes and smart cars.

BK Yoon, Samsung president of consumer electronics, said earlier this week that by 2017 all Samsung televisions will be Internet connected. He also said in five years all Samsung hardware products will be ready for the Internet of Things.

The company is taking its software, which is designed to challenge Google's Android operating system, to television sets. Samsung said its all-new Internet-connected televisions this year will run on Tizen, its own operating system. □

Coca-Cola cutting up to 1,800 jobs to trim costs

NEW YORK (AP) — Coca-Cola says it will cut between 1,600 and 1,800 jobs in coming months to trim costs.

The world's biggest beverage maker says it began notifying workers in the U.S. and some international locations Thursday. It said job types are across all

parts of its business and include about 500 cuts at its Atlanta headquarters. The company, which makes Sprite, Powerade, Vitamin-water and other drinks, has about 130,600 employees around the world, according to FactSet. In an emailed statement Thursday, Coca-Cola said it will

"continuously look for ways to streamline our business," suggesting additional cuts could be announced later. Coca-Cola Co. and rival PepsiCo Inc. have been looking for ways to cut costs as their soda businesses have flagged in North America. In October, Coca-Cola said it planned

to slash costs by \$3 billion a year through a variety of measures. It said the savings would be used to help fund the stepped-up marketing it believes is needed to drive up beverage sales. The announcement came as the company reported disappointing revenue for its third quarter, with global

beverage volume up just 1 percent.

In addition to the proliferation of alternatives like flavored water and energy drinks, Coke and Pepsi are trying to overcome perceptions that soda makes people fat and health concerns about the artificial sweeteners in diet sodas. □

Wall Street bounces back from rough start to year

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NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market is bouncing back from a tough start to 2015.

Investors sent shares sharply higher for a second straight day Thursday, eras-

ing the market's heavy losses from the first few days of the year. The gains were driven by a combination of positive economic news from the U.S. and hopes for stimulus from Europe's central bank. The price of oil is

also showing signs of stabilizing after six months of heavy losses, and there is renewed confidence that the Federal Reserve will keep supporting the economy as growth outside the U.S. appears to be flagging.

The wild swings in stock prices will likely become more common this year as investors try and anticipate when, if at all, the Fed will start to raise interest rates, said JJ Kinahan, chief market strategist at TD Ameritrade.

"People will have to get used to volatility at a higher level," Kinahan said. It's going to be "one of the primary stories for 2015." The Standard & Poor's 500 index climbed 36.24 points, or 1.8 percent, to 2,062.14. The index is now up 0.2 percent for the year, after falling 2.7 percent in the first three days of trading.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 323.35 points, or 1.8 percent, to 17,907.87. The Nasdaq composite gained 85.72 points, or 1.8 percent, to 4,736.19.

Comments from Charles Evans, president of the Fed's Chicago branch, late Wednesday gave stocks a lift. Evans said that the U.S. central bank shouldn't rush to raise interest rates, because inflation

was likely to remain tame for several years, according to Bloomberg.

The prospect of more stimulus from other central banks is also driving the rebound.

European data Wednesday showed that consumer prices fell in December for the first time since 2009. That increased pressure on the European Central Bank president Mario Draghi to act to support the region's flagging economy.

Many analysts expect the bank to announce a plan this month to buy European government bonds. Such a move, known as quantitative easing, is designed to hold down long-term interest rates and stimulate borrowing and spending.

"Oddly enough, the market was helped by some of the weaker data out of the eurozone," said Quincy Krosby, a market strategist at Prudential Financial. "In many ways, the bad news was the good news."

Investors also got encouraging news on hiring Thursday. □



Specialist Michael Pistillo works at his post on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Thursday, Jan. 8, 2015. U.S. stocks rose on Thursday, boosted by a combination of positive economic news from the U.S. and expectations of stimulus from Europe's central bank. The market is bouncing back from a big slump in the first trading days of the year.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

Spain's Banco Santander to increase capital \$8.9 billion

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MADRID — Banco Santander said Thursday that it would begin a capital increase of as much as 7.5 billion euros, equal to almost a tenth of its stock market value, in a bid to strengthen its balance sheet.

The Spanish bank, one of Europe's largest financial institutions, said in a statement to the Spanish stock market regulator that it planned to issue new shares via "an accelerated" sale.

In 2008, Banco Santander undertook a similarly large capital increase of 7.2 billion euros (\$8.5 billion) at Thursday's exchange rates. The move comes after a significant management overhaul. In September, the bank decided to maintain its family leadership by appointing Ana Patricia Botín as executive chairwoman, after the death of her father, Emilio Botín, who ran and transformed Banco Santander over two decades from a family-

controlled regional bank into Spain's largest bank by assets.

Two months later, Botín made her own significant changes, removing Javier Marín, who had been appointed chief executive two years earlier by her father, and promoting instead José Antonio Álvarez, Santander's chief financial officer, as the new chief executive.

Banco Santander does not regularly make public its capital ratio, unlike

most of its European rivals. Marín, however, estimated shortly before his ouster that the capital ratio would be about 8.5 percent at the end of 2014, under the so-called Basel III rules, slightly below the 9 percent level the bank had initially forecast. Shares in Banco Santander rose 3 percent Thursday, before trading was suspended by the stock market regulator pending a statement from the bank. Banco Santander said it would provide fur-

ther details on the capital increase Thursday, after a meeting of its board.

The bank also said it expected the board to approve a change in its dividend payment policy. Shareholders will be offered cash for three of the four payments expected this year, while one will be in shares. The overall dividend payout, however, is likely to be 20 cents a share this year, the bank said, compared with 60 cents in the previous year. □

Satire, Terrorism and Islam



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The French satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo skewers people of all faiths and backgrounds. One cartoon showed rolls of toilet paper marked "Bible," "Torah" and "Quran," and the explanation: "In the toilet, all religions." Yet when masked gunmen stormed Charlie Hebdo's offices in Paris on Wednesday with AK-47s, murdering 12 people in the worst terror attack on French soil in decades, many assumed immediately that the perpetrators weren't Christian or Jewish fanatics but more likely Islamic extremists.

Outraged Christians, Jews or atheists might vent frustrations on Facebook or Twitter. Yet, while we don't know exactly who is responsible, the presumption is that Islamic extremists once again have expressed their displeasure with bullets.

Many ask: Is there something about Islam that leads inexorably to violence, terrorism and subjugation of women?

The question arises because fanatical Muslims so often seem to murder in the name of God, from the 2004 Madrid train bombing that killed 191 people to the murder of hostages at a cafe in Sydney, Australia, last month. I wrote last year of a growing strain of intolerance in the Islamic world after a brave Pakistani lawyer friend of mine, Rashid Rehman, was murdered for defending a university professor falsely accused of insulting the Prophet Muhammad.

Some of the most systematic terrorism in the Islamic world has been the daily persecution of Christians and other religious minorities, from the Bahai to the Yazidi to the Ahmadis.

Then there's the oppression of women. Of the bottom 10 countries in the World Economic Forum's gender gap report, I count nine as majority Muslim.

So, sure, there's a strain of Islamic intolerance and extremism that is the backdrop to the attack on Charlie Hebdo. The magazine was firebombed in 2011 after a cover depicted Muhammad saying, "100 lashes if you're not dying of laughter."

Earlier, Charlie Hebdo had published a cartoon showing Muhammad crying and saying, "It's hard to be loved by idiots."

Terror incidents lead many Westerners to perceive Islam as inherently extremist, but I think that is too glib and simple-minded. Small numbers of terrorists make headlines, but they aren't repre-

sentative of a complex and diverse religion of 1.6 billion adherents. My Twitter feed Wednesday brimmed with Muslims denouncing the attack - and noting that fanatical Muslims damage the image of Muhammad far more than the most vituperative cartoonist.

The vast majority of Muslims of course have nothing to do with the insanity of such attacks - except that they are disproportionately the victims of terrorism. Indeed, the Charlie Hebdo murders weren't even the most lethal terror attack on Wednesday: A car bomb outside a police college in Yemen, possibly planted by al-Qaida, killed at least 37 people.

One of things I've learned in journalism is to beware of perceiving the world through simple narratives, because then new information is mindlessly plugged into those storylines. In my travels from Mauritania to Saudi Arabia, Pakistan to Indonesia, extremist Muslims have shared with me their own deeply held false narratives of America as an oppressive state controlled by Zionists and determined to crush Islam. That's an absurd caricature, and we should be wary ourselves of caricaturing a religion as diverse as Islam.

So let's avoid religious profiling. The average Christian had nothing to apologize for when Christian fanatics in the former Yugoslavia engaged in genocide against Muslims. Critics of Islam are not to blame because an anti-Muslim fanatic murdered 77 people in Norway in 2011.

Let's also acknowledge that the most courageous, peace-loving people in the Middle East who are standing up to Muslim fanatics are themselves often devout Muslims. Some read the Quran and blow up girls' schools, but more read the Quran and build girls' schools. The Taliban represents one brand of Islam; the Nobel Peace Prize winner Malala Yousafzai the polar opposite. There's a humbling story, perhaps apocryphal, that Gandhi was once asked: What do you think of Western civilization? He supposedly responded: I think it would be a good idea.

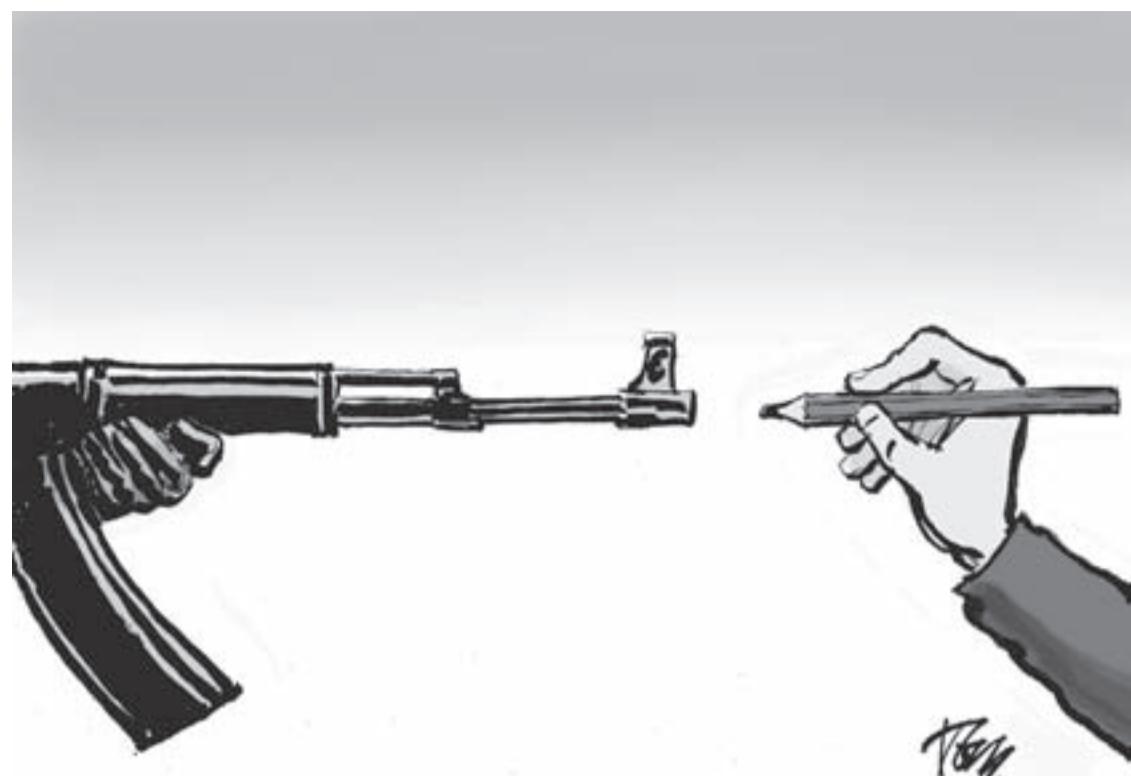
The great divide is not between faiths. Rather it is between terrorists and moderates, between those who are tolerant and those who "otherize."

In Australia after the hostage crisis, some Muslims feared revenge attacks. Then a wave of non-Muslim Australians rose to the occasion, offering to escort Muslims and ensure their safety, using the hashtag #IWillRideWithYou on Twitter. More than 250,000 such comments were posted on Twitter - a model of big-hearted compassion after terror attacks.

Bravo! That's the spirit.

Let's stand with Charlie Hebdo, for the global outpouring of support has been inspiring. Let's denounce terrorism, oppression and misogyny in the Islamic world - and everywhere else. But let's be careful not to respond to terrorists' intolerance with our own.

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Privilege of 'Arrest Without Incident'



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The day after Christmas, a shooter terrorized the streets of a Chattanooga, Tennessee, neighborhood. According to the local newspaper, the shooter was "wearing body armor" and "firing multiple shots out her window at people and cars." One witness told the paper that the shooter was "holding a gun out of the window as if it were a cigarette."

There's more:

"Officers found two people who said they were at a stop sign when a woman pulled up in a dark-colored sedan and fired shots into their vehicle, hitting and disabling the radiator. Then more calls reported a woman pointing a firearm at people as she passed them in her car, and that she fired at another vehicle in the same area."

When police officers came upon the shooter, the shooter led them on a chase. The shooter even pointed the gun at a police officer.

Surely this was not going to end well. We've all seen in recent months what came of people who did far less. Surely in this case officers would have been justified in using whatever force they saw fit. Right?

According to the paper, the shooter was "taken into custody without incident or injury."

Who was this shooter anyway? Julia Shields, a 45-year-old white woman.

Take a moment and consider

this. Take a long moment. It is a good thing that officers took her in "without incident or injury," of course, but can we imagine that result being universally the case if a shooter looks different? Would this episode have ended this way if the shooter had been male, or black, or both? It's an unanswerable question, but nevertheless one that deserves pondering. Every case is different. Police officers are human beings making split-second decisions - often informed by fears - about when to use force and the degree of that force. But that truth is also the trap. How and why are our fears constructed and activated? The American mind has been poisoned, from this country's birth, against minority populations. People of color, particularly African-American men, have been caught up in a twister of macroaggressions and micro ones. No amount of ignoring can alleviate it; no amount of achieving can ameliorate it.

And in a few seconds, or fractions of a second, before the conscious mind can catch up to the racing heart, decisions are made that can't be undone. Dead is forever.

It's hard to read stories like this and not believe that there is a double standard in the use of force by the police. Everyone needs to be treated as though his or her life matters. More suspected criminals need to be detained and tried in a court of law and not sentenced on the street to a rain of bullets.

It is no wonder that whites and blacks have such divergent views of treatment by the police. As The Washington Post noted recently about a poll it conducted with ABC News, only about 2 in 10 blacks "say they are confident that the police treat whites and blacks equally, whether or not they have committed a crime."

In contrast, 6 in 10 whites "have confidence that police treat both equally."

Michael Brown was unarmed. (Some witnesses in Ferguson, Missouri, say he had his hands up. Others say he charged an officer.)

Eric Garner was unarmed on a Staten Island street.

Tamir Rice was 12 years old, walking around a Cleveland park and holding a toy gun that uses nonlethal plastic pellets, but he didn't shoot at anyone.

John Crawford was in an Ohio Wal-Mart, holding, but not shooting, an air rifle he had picked up from a store shelf.

The police say Antonio Martin had a gun and pointed it at a police officer in Berkeley, Missouri, but didn't fire it.

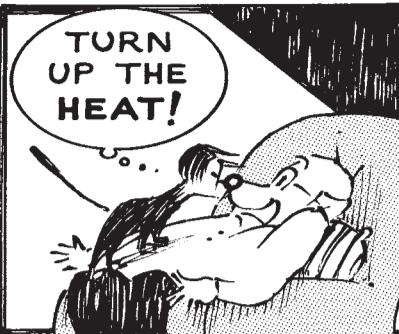
And Tuesday, the police say, a handgun was "revealed" during a New Jersey traffic stop of a car Jerame C. Reid was in.

But none had the privilege of being "arrested without incident or injury." They were all black, all killed by police officers. Brown was shot through the head. Garner was grabbed around the neck in a chokehold, tossed to the ground and held there, even as he pleaded that he couldn't breathe; it was all caught on video. Rice was shot within two seconds of the police officers' arrival on the scene. Crawford, Martin and Reid were also cut down by police bullets.

In the cases that have been heard by grand juries, the grand juries have refused to indict the officers. Maybe one could argue that in some of those cases the officers were within their rights to respond with lethal force. Maybe. But shouldn't the use of force have equal application? Shouldn't it be color- and gender-blind? Shouldn't more people, in equal measures, be taken in and not taken out?

Why weren't these black men, any of them, the recipients of the same use of force - or lack thereof - as Julia Shields?

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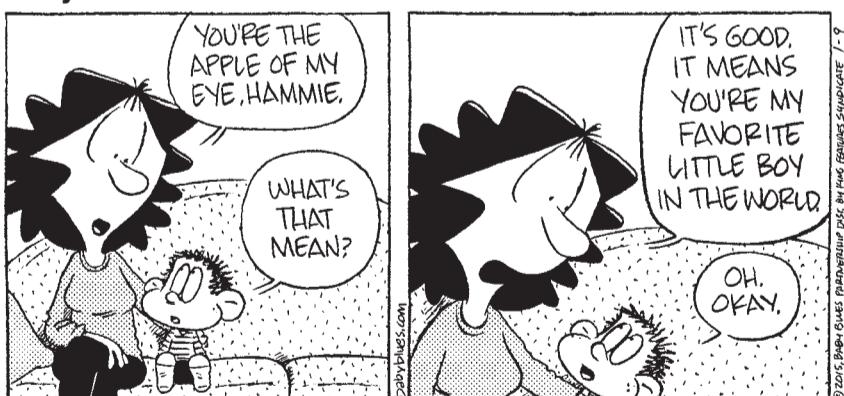
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NEW YORK (AP) — A computer program that taught itself to play poker has created nearly the best possible strategy for one version of the game, showing the value of techniques that may prove useful to help decision-making in medicine and other areas.

The program considered 24 trillion simulated poker hands per second for two months, probably playing more poker than all humanity has ever experienced, says Michael Bowling, who led the project.

The resulting strategy still won't win every game because of bad luck in the cards. But over the long run — thousands of games — it won't lose money. "We can go against the best (players) in the world and the humans are going to be the ones that lose money," said Bowling, of the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Canada.

The strategy applies specifically to a game called heads-up limit Texas Hold



In this July 5, 2014, file photo, Abe Mosseri plays a game on his iPad while also playing Texas Hold 'em on the first day of the World Series of Poker main event in Las Vegas.

'em. While scientists have created poker-playing programs for years, Bowling's result stands out because it comes so close to "solving" its version of the game, which essentially means creating the optimal strategy.

Poker is hard to solve because it involves imperfect

information, where a player doesn't know everything that has happened in the game he is playing — specifically, what cards the opponent has been dealt. Many real-world challenges like negotiations and auctions also include imperfect information, which is one reason why poker

has long been a proving ground for the mathematical approach to decision-making called game theory.

Tomas Sandholm of Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, who didn't participate in the new work, called Bowling's results a landmark. He said it's the

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first time that an imperfect-information game that is competitively played by people has been essentially solved.

Bowling's paper, released Thursday by the journal *Science*, introduces some techniques that could become useful for applying game theory in real-world situations. Bowling is investigating the possibility of helping doctors determine proper insulin doses for diabetic patients, for example. Game theory has also been used to schedule security patrols, and it has implications for other areas like developing strategies for cybersecurity, designing drugs and fighting disease pandemics.

But Bowling doubts the poker strategy will let anybody make a fortune on the game itself. The kind of poker it applies to has waned in popularity over the past seven years or so, he said. Even online, the stakes tend to be small and "you'd be winning a few dollars, not raking in millions."

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Cold comfort: US weather in 2014 not too hot, disastrous

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WASHINGTON (AP) — On a day when much of the U.S. struggled with cold, U.S. meteorologists said America's weather in 2014 wasn't really that bad. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration announced Thursday that the U.S. average temperature in 2014 was half a degree warmer than normal and weather was

less disastrous and drought-struck than previous years. While 2014 was warmer than 2013 in the lower 48 states, it was still only the 34th warmest on record. That contrasts with the experience of the world as a whole. Globally, it will likely go down as the warmest year on record.

Japan's meteorological agency has already calculated 2014 as the warmest year worldwide. NOAA

and NASA will announce global 2014 figures next week, but data through November point toward a new record. The U.S. is only 2 percent of the world's surface and temperatures are more dictated by weather than climate, said Pennsylvania State University atmospheric scientist Michael Mann. "It was a strange year for the U.S.," said University of Illinois climate scientist Donald Wuebbles.

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Ava DuVernay and David Oyelowo on their journey to 'Selma'

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ava DuVernay doesn't like historical dramas — especially those of the civil rights variety. Their conventions, their sentimentality, their lack of texture or edginess, and their insistence on either hero worship or take-down just aren't her style. It's a wonder she ever considered boarding "Selma" in the first place. Not only is it one of the most important chapters in civil rights history — having led to the passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act — it's also one that's still in the living memory of many (including her father).

Toss in the fact the project had been in development for years with a host of different directors, that it's the first significant portrayal of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on film, and that DuVernay had mostly directed small independent features, and the whole feat becomes even more unlikely.

Now, it seems impossible to imagine the film with anyone but DuVernay behind the camera. With her confident direction, "Selma," which opens wide on Friday, gives audiences a layered look at King, the

Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the campaign leading up to the historic 54-mile march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

On Jan. 15, DuVernay, a former publicist, may also

her collaborators. At the first public screening of "Selma," after a lengthy standing ovation from the jam-packed theater, DuVernay still took the opportunity to poke fun at her own job qualifications,

he's amazing. From there, we're just telling a story about people," she said of star David Oyelowo.

To portray Dr. King, in addition to a dramatic physical transformation, the U.K.-born Oyelowo would cer-

after he landed in Atlanta for the shoot. Oyelowo surprised her and answered in perfect King-speak.

"You're going to play Dr. King in Atlanta? I can't go around talking like this," said Oyelowo, sounding "very Royal Shakespeare Company," as DuVernay describes it,

"Acting is confidence," the actor continued. "You need to feel like you know what you're doing. If there are people looking at you going 'yeah, but I just saw him in the lunch line sounding very much like a tea-drinking Brit...'"

When DuVernay signed on to the project in July 2013, the first thing she did was go back to the script, tightening and refocusing Paul Webb's take on King and the people who surrounded him, including President Lyndon B. Johnson (Tom Wilkinson).

"We wanted to give it scale, but also intimacy," she said. "I think the best positivity is complexity. I wasn't trying to not show him (King) smoke, or not show that he had some issues with his wife (Carmen Ejogo). You have to show a full, multifaceted point of view in order for it to be real." □

In this Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014 file photo, Ava DuVernay, left, director of the film "Selma," and cast member, David Oyelowo, who plays Martin Luther King Jr., pose together at the Four Seasons Hotel in Los Angeles.

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make history by becoming the first African American woman ever to be nominated for a best director Oscar.

And yet she always seems to be deflecting praise with a self-deprecating aside or by refocusing it on one of

joking that she was "more of a black indie hipster romance kind of gal."

Ultimately, her friendship and trust with the man who would be stepping into King's shoes pushed her to the project. "I was like, well, I've got Dr. King and I know

tainly need to lose the British accent.

Sitting together in Beverly Hills the morning after the first screening last fall, Oyelowo and DuVernay recounted the time she tried to test him by catching him off guard with a phone call

Netflix won't say how many people watch their series

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PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Even as Netflix continues to pump out more original programming, its bosses say they will continue to keep secret details on how many people are actually watching.

The ratings "arms race" on traditional television has a negative effect on creativity, said Ted Sarandos, Netflix's chief content executive. Besides, given the new ways people follow TV — on demand or on different devices — there are questions about how accurate traditional measurements are, he said.

"We want subscribers to

watch our programs and fall in love with them on their own timetable," he said on Wednesday.

The streaming service, with 53 million subscribers, doesn't pay for the third-party ratings service provided by the Nielsen company. The business model doesn't depend on it; Netflix doesn't run commercials so it doesn't need Nielsen's numbers to set advertising rates, Sarandos said.

That doesn't mean Netflix doesn't know how many people watch its shows. It knows exactly how many, but won't tell. Since the company generally releases a full season's worth of program episodes at the

same time, people don't watch Netflix's shows the same way many people watch broadcast TV, Sarandos said. Much of the time, people will latch on to a Netflix show and not watch anything else on the service until they are done with the available episodes.

Sarandos said Netflix's reticence has nothing to do with fear that its numbers will seem paltry.

"You don't have shows that penetrate the culture at the levels that these shows have had without people watching them," he said.

The first series produced specifically for Netflix,



In this April 22, 2011 file photo, the exterior of Netflix headquarters is shown in Los Gatos, Calif. Associated Press

"House of Cards," debuted two years ago. Netflix said that this year, it will offer 320 hours of original material.

Netflix announced premiere dates for new series on Wednesday: "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt," a Tina Fey-written sitcom originally produced for NBC, on March 6; "Blood-

line," a family thriller with Sam Shepard and Sissy Spacek from the team that created "Damages," on March 20; "Marvel's Daredevil," a superhero series, on April 10; and "Grace and Frankie," starring Jane Fonda and Lily Tomlin as women whose husbands leave them for each other, on May 8. □

Chita Rivera 'excited' for Broadway return in 'The Visit'

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NEW YORK (AP) — Chita Rivera has gotten an early birthday present: A musical she has long championed is coming to Broadway with her as the star.

Rivera said Thursday that "The Visit," with music by Fred Ebb and John Kander, and a story by playwright Terrence McNally, will open at the Lyceum Theatre this spring. Tony Award winner Roger Rees will co-star as her love interest.

"I'm excited because it has been such a long time but also because we love this piece and really think the American theater could enjoy a wonderful, interesting, smart musical like this," said Rivera, who turns 82 Jan. 23. "Be prepared. Because you never know when the phone call's going to happen."

The musical made its world premiere with Rivera in 2001 at the Goodman Theatre in Chicago and later played The Signature Theatre in Arlington, Virginia, and the Williamstown Theatre Festival in Massachusetts last summer, which



In this June 12, 2014 file photo, actress-singer Chita Rivera attends the Songwriters Hall of Fame Awards in New York.

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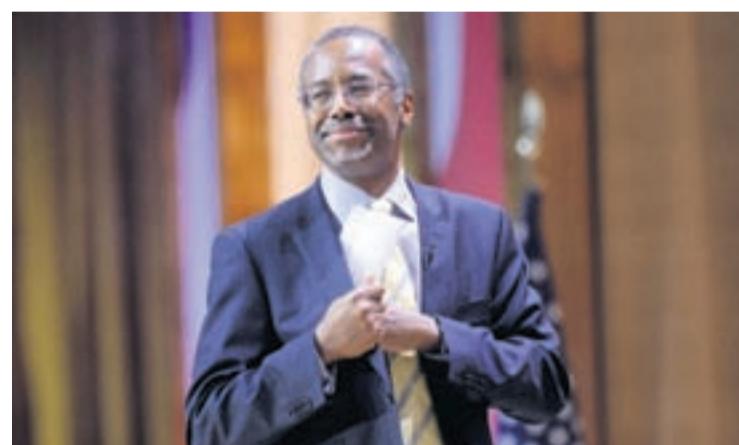
also starred Reese. ("He's something to contend with. He's a trip and a half," Rivera joked). Previews on Broadway start March 26 and opening night is April 23.

"I deeply believe that everything has its own time. It dictates itself, really," said Rivera. "I think we needed to have this time. I don't question that. I do believe, at the moment, you give your very, very best and you try to enjoy as best as you can those moments

and I certainly did in the other two versions that we did."

"The Visit" is based on a 1956 Friedrich Durrenmatt play adapted by Maurice Valency. It centers on a billionaire who pays a visit to her hardship-stricken European birthplace. It has gallows humor, a murder plot and asks questions about morality and greed. The original show has been cut down to one act and Rivera said "it's much more European in its feeling."

Publisher to issue revised edition of Ben Carson book



In this March 8, 2014 file photo, Dr. Ben Carson, professor emeritus at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, puts his notes back in his pocket after speaking at the Conservative Political Action Committee annual conference in National Harbor, Md.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Dr. Ben Carson's publisher will be revising future editions of his book "America the Beautiful" in response to allega-

tions that the conservative activist failed to properly credit source material. A BuzzFeed story earlier this week noted close simi-

larities between passages in Carson's 2012 book and material that first appeared elsewhere.

A spokeswoman for the publisher, Zondervan, issued a statement Thursday saying that "it has become apparent" that additional citations are needed.

Carson's literary agent, Sealy Yates, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that Carson had submitted all of his sources to Zondervan before publication and thought that Zondervan would ensure there was attribution.

Carson, a former neurosurgeon, has been rumored as a possible Republican contender for the 2016 presidential election.



In this Oct. 20, 2014 file photo, Tina Fey arrives at ELLE's 21st annual Women In Hollywood Awards at the Four Season Hotel in Los Angeles.

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Switch to Netflix means new world for Tina Fey's comedy

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PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Now that the sitcom she's writing has moved from NBC to Netflix, Tina Fey has big plans: "Season two is going to be mostly shower sex." Jokes aside, the journey of "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" is a unique one for television and its future will be watched closely. The series, starring Ellie Kemper and Jane Krakowski, will see its first 13 episodes drop on Netflix on March 6. Tina Fey and her creative partner Robert Carlock are behind the series, in which Kemper plays a woman who emerges from living in a cult for 15 years and starts over in New York City.

Originally targeted for NBC, half of the first season had been filmed and edited when NBC's bosses — mindful of the difficulty broadcast networks have had lately creating new comedy hits — freed Fey and Carlock to shop the series elsewhere.

No hard feelings, Fey said. She's co-hosting the Golden Globes on NBC this weekend with pal Amy Poehler and said she won't hesitate to again make something for NBC, where her "30 Rock" was a cult favorite.

"Because the show is made by NBC, it's really in NBC's best (financial) interests to find it the best home," she said. The comedy could have worked on NBC, "but I actually think more people will find us" on Netflix, Fey said.

The creators knew the series was moving to Netflix in time to edit the last half of the season, which enabled them to extend the episodes slightly beyond the 22-minute standard broadcast sitcom fare.

Moving forward, since Netflix has already committed to a second season, the creators are debating how the new venue will change what they do. For instance, will the actors be permitted to use rawer language?

"We will have to find our own boundaries next year," Carlock said. "The theme of the show is set so I don't think it will be a drastic shift."

One thing Fey's happy about in moving to Netflix: no snipes, the term for promotions that often pop up on-screen.

"I love Debra Messing, but we won't see her face" on "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" hawking her NBC show, Fey said.



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